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The land that makes up the nine-county San Francisco Bay Area has been home to diverse groups of Indigenous peoples with unique cultures and deeply rooted relationships to the land for over 10,000 years.¹ The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) acknowledge the Ohlone as the traditional caretakers of the land that makes up the Bay Area. We honor their connection to the land and the deep respect they hold for this region.

Ohlone is the most commonly used term for the predominant Indigenous group of the Bay Area, who are made up of linguistically similar but ethnically diverse Native American tribes. These tribes include the Chochenyo and the Karkin of the East Bay, the Ramaytush of San Francisco, the Yokuts of the South Bay and Central Valley, and the Muwekma tribe from throughout the region. Other Indigenous groups of the region are distinct from the Ohlone linguistic group, including the Coast Miwok and Southern Pomo of the Graton Rancheria community; the Kashaya, Patwin and Mishewal Wappo of the North Bay; and the Bay Miwok of the East Bay.² MTC and ABAG are committed to furthering meaningful partnerships with the tribes of this region.

Thank you for your stewardship.

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² Bay Area Equity Atlas. (© 2021). Indigenous Populations in the Bay Area. https://bayareaequityatlas.org/about/indigenous-populations-in-the-bay-area

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Executive Summary

Since its inception in 1971, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) has been charged with developing a Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) for the nine-county San Francisco Bay Area. Plan Bay Area 2050 is the 22nd long-range plan in agency history, and the third plan that has been jointly developed with the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG). Plan Bay Area 2050 focuses on innovative planning work and extensive public engagement. This report documents the public engagement that informed the strategies and policies that are contained in Plan Bay Area 2050.

Plan Bay Area 2050, like both of its predecessors, <u>Plan Bay Area</u> (2013) and <u>Plan Bay Area</u> 2040 (2017), has been developed to conform to federal and state regulations, including California legislation from 2008 (Senate Bill 375, Steinberg), which requires each of the state's 18 metropolitan areas to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from cars and light-duty trucks. Under Senate Bill 375, the Bay Area must develop a Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) that strives to reach the greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction target established by the California Air Resources Board. Unlike its predecessors, Plan Bay Area 2050 is the first holistic regional plan for the Bay Area that goes beyond a traditional RTP/SCS and focuses on transportation, housing, the economy and the environment, all while ensuring that the plan works to advance equity and resilience in an uncertain future.

Although separate from Plan Bay Area 2050, a groundbreaking initiative called Horizon set the foundation on which Plan Bay Area 2050 rests. Launched in 2018 to look beyond traditional scenario planning, the Horizon initiative deconstructed the traditional planning processes that are the hallmark of Plan Bay Area to more fully explore the challenges and possible solutions Bay Area residents may face through 2050. As the COVID-19 global pandemic made clear, the future is incredibly uncertain, and the purpose of Horizon was to understand how these uncertainties affect a wide range of challenges for the Bay Area's future, including the emergence of driverless vehicles, rising sea levels, earthquakes, changing economic conditions and political unrest.

While Horizon did not explicitly consider the impacts of a pandemic, analysis did consider how strategies would perform under varying degrees of economic decline/expansion, telecommute mode share, e-commerce market share and preferences for shared versus individual transportation, all of which are highly relevant to the realities introduced by COVID-19. The Horizon initiative established guiding principles that grounded the planning and technical work and developed a variety of strategies that would make the Bay Area a more affordable, connected, diverse, healthy and vibrant region for all.

Transitioning from Horizon to Plan Bay Area 2050 in mid-2019, the plan built on the foundation set by the Horizon work, narrowing down the transportation, housing, environmental and economic strategies to outline the strategies for growth and investment through the year 2050, while simultaneously achieving the plan's mandated 19% per capita emissions reduction goal by the year 2035.

While Plan Bay Area 2050 has used a variety of new planning, modeling and engagement tactics to improve its outcomes, it has also been developed to conform to federal and state regulations, including the requirement that the region plan for housing 100 percent of its

projected population at all income levels. Plan Bay Area 2050 considers how and where the region can accommodate growth projected for the next 30 years at all income levels.

For the public engagement process, MTC and ABAG used a variety of new and innovative techniques to reach more residents than ever before. The Horizon initiative yielded participation from nearly 4,000 Bay Area residents who provided over 17,000 comments, including key input that helped create the plan's five guiding principles as well as identifying the plan's high performing strategies.

As of December 2020, Plan Bay Area 2050 has added over 10,000 additional participants and over 180,000 additional comments, for a current total of 201,000 comments¹ from nearly 17,000 Bay Area residents. This marks an unprecedented level of engagement that offered insights and feedback that improved the plan through its four-year development. These statistics are for the period from early 2018 to December 2020. This Draft Plan Bay Area 2050 Public Engagement Report will be updated upon adoption of Plan Bay Area 2050, expected in the fall of 2021.

¹ This report uses the term "comments" to include a range of resident feedback including letters, emails, survey responses, dot voting and responses to both in-person and online games designed to register public sentiment. We do not currently treat engagements (likes, retweets, replies, etc.) on the agencies' social media channels as "comments," as those platforms instruct users to send comments elsewhere to be counted.

Public Participation Plan (2018)

A comprehensive public engagement program is instrumental to the long-range planning process. Public engagement requires extensive outreach with local government officials, partners and stakeholders. Engagement activities for Plan Bay Area 2050 include activities such as pop-up workshops in various locations around the Bay Area, in-person, online and telephone workshops in each county, and public hearings on the Draft Plan Bay Area 2050 prior to its adoption, among others.

MTC and ABAG are committed to an active public engagement process that provides comprehensive information, timely public notice and full public access to key decisions. MTC and ABAG provide the public with myriad opportunities for continued involvement in the work of the agencies, memorialized in MTC's regularly updated Public Participation Plan (PPP). As a Metropolitan Planning Organization, federal statutes require MTC to adopt and maintain a Public Participation Plan. This document, while only adopted by MTC, guides the engagement work that MTC and ABAG undertake throughout the Plan Bay Area 2050 process.

MTC and ABAG's public involvement process aims to give the public ample opportunities for early and ongoing participation in critical transportation projects, plans and decisions, as well as to provide full public access to key decisions. Engaging the public early and often in the decision-making process is critical to the success of any transportation plan or program, and is required by numerous state and federal laws, and by the agencies' own internal procedures.

MTC updates its PPP approximately every four years ahead of preparation of the region's long-range plan, which fulfills federal transportation planning requirements. The PPP spells out the process for providing the public and interested parties with diverse and accessible opportunities to be involved in the regional transportation planning process. The Appendix A of the PPP, which guides MTC and ABAG's engagement activities for Plan Bay Area 2050, was updated with input from the public, as described below.

Public Participation Plan Overview

As transportation, housing, environmental and economic strategies in this incredibly diverse region increasingly intersect, it is all the more important that the agency's public engagement activities reflect the region's layers of interwoven issue areas and communities. To ensure diverse and robust public participation, staff sought to increasingly focus resources to hear more from those most historically absent from the decision-making process.

The PPP identifies five guiding principles for public engagement:

- Public participation is a dynamic activity that requires teamwork and commitment at all levels of the MTC organization.
- One size does not fit all input from diverse perspectives enhances the process.
- Effective public outreach and involvement requires relationship building with local governments, stakeholders and advisory groups.
- Engaging interested persons in 'regional' transportation issues is challenging, yet possible, by making it relevant, removing barriers to participation, and communicating in clear, compelling language and visuals.
- An open and transparent public participation process empowers low-income communities and communities of color to participate in decision making that affects them.

Updating the Public Participation Plan

On March 23, 2018, MTC's Draft 2018 Public Participation Plan (Draft PPP) was released for public review. The Draft PPP was an update to the previous PPP that was adopted in 2015. Staff requested input from partners, stakeholders and the public using in-person, telephone and online outreach. This included:

- Conducting an online survey that was promoted via a news release, email, through MTC's partners and stakeholders, as well as digital advertising, social media and on MTC's website. The survey was translated into Spanish and Chinese.
- Surveying seven Metropolitan Planning Organizations and partner agencies on outreach methods for their planning processes.
- Conducting focus groups in partnership with six community-based organizations representing the Bay Area's Equity Priority Communities² and agency working groups to garner input on current outreach methods and request ideas for new and innovative outreach tactics.
- Giving presentations to and requesting input from MTC's Policy Advisory Council and the Regional Advisory Working Group.

MTC received 769 complete survey responses. The survey was promoted through Facebook, with a focus on hearing from residents in communities of color as well as from women and young people, groups that have been historically underrepresented in MTC's public engagement efforts.

Staff conducted focus groups and sought new engagement methods from seven Metropolitan Planning Organizations, partner agencies and community-based organizations who themselves conduct public outreach. Staff made presentations and heard from MTC's Policy Advisory Council, the Regional Advisory Working Group, and county transportation agency planning directors.

Key Messages Heard

In soliciting feedback on the Draft PPP from diverse stakeholders, including partners, community-based organizations, Policy Advisory Council and Regional Advisory Working Group members, we heard several themes, outlined below.

To reach new audiences, go beyond traditional outreach

To increase the public's participation, participants stressed a desire to hold outreach meetings at different locations and outside traditional work hours, including at park-and-ride lots, office parks, rail stations, etc. Even prior to the pandemic, participants also requested remote access to meetings via the web.

The PPP calls for a variety of innovative outreach methods — including alternative meeting types — to ensure that the greatest number of people are able to participate in the outreach process. For example, because of the pandemic, MTC made it possible to conduct meetings remotely via the web.

Broaden communities reached

There was a clear call to increase the breadth and representation of groups reached during

² Defined as census tracts that have a concentration of BOTH people of color AND low-income households, OR that have a concentration of four or more of the following factors: limited English proficiency, zero-vehicle household, seniors 75 years and over, people with disability, single-parent family or severely rent-burdened household.

the public engagement process. This includes reaching groups in underrepresented communities to ensure that those historically left out are included. In addition, a few comments asked to include a focus on seniors and persons with disabilities in outreach, which were then added to the PPP.

Communicate simply and clearly

Many participants requested that we communicate in simple and clear terms for the public to understand complex topics and to make it easier for the public to provide input. Participants felt that government tends to overwhelm citizens with text, data and graphics, when fewer words, simple graphics and consolidated topics would help. We heard a strong emphasis on using fewer acronyms and jargon, and to make materials appropriate for non-technical audiences. Staff aimed to do this throughout the Horizon and Plan Bay Area 2050 processes.

Final Public Participation Plan

In response to feedback received from soliciting input on the Draft PPP, revisions to the plan included providing requested clarification or expanding upon public participation opportunities. The final PPP goes on to spotlight the process and significance of various milestones in the development of Plan Bay Area 2050, as well as the roles of various agencies and the opportunities for public comment. The Commission adopted the final Public Participation Plan as MTC Resolution No. 4174 (revised), on June 27, 2018.

Plan Bay Area 2050 Engagement: Equitable and Innovative

Applying an equitable, comprehensive and nimble approach, staff aimed to hear from a representative swath of the Bay Area's population. Centering the perspectives of community members who are typically left out of long-range planning processes required an inclusive approach that valued their experiences and credibly and authentically responded to their input. Strong coordination and a shared commitment to public engagement and equity between planning and engagement staff allowed for a planning process that was demonstrably responsive to community feedback and informed every step of the plan's development, including its guiding principles and strategies. Additional resources were invested in hearing from hard-to-reach populations including people with disabilities, communities of color and low-income communities, residents with limited English proficiency, youth and people experiencing homelessness. The multiple layers of engagement strategies and tactics, which took place in face-to-face interactions prior to COVID-19 shelter-in-place orders, and online, both before and during the pandemic, resulted in the most input received on any Bay Area Regional Transportation Plan to date — significantly improving the plan.

Renewed Focus on Equity

Advancing equity has long been an agency priority. A renewed focus on equity was further emphasized by the release of the MTC and ABAG Equity Platform in 2019. The platform provides a framework for how the agencies aim to advance "equity with a racial justice focus by investing resources for historically underserved, systemically marginalized groups, including low-income and communities of color, at scale to meaningfully reverse the disparities in access that diminish the nine-county Bay Area."

To advance equitable community engagement, staff aimed to target at least 70% of outreach activities in communities of color and low-income communities. For example, when selecting pop-up locations for a distributed engagement campaign in the fall of 2019, 29 out of 37 locations (78%) were in or served such communities.

Innovative Engagement

MTC and ABAG's efforts to make use of new digital tools to reach wider public audiences shifted into a far more urgent phase with the arrival of COVID-19 shelter-in-place mandates. When the orders were issued by health authorities starting in March 2020, MTC and ABAG staff were in the midst of developing the second round of Plan Bay Area 2050 outreach activities. To keep engagement efforts on track, staff made the necessary switch to virtual engagement, holding digital focus groups and workshops, as well as telephone town halls and online and text-based surveys, among other tactics.

Remarkably, holding digital meetings lowered barriers for many participants, yielding more robust participation. Indeed, entirely new technologies were used during the second round to encourage input on the plan. Staff had to make it easy and fun to participate so residents would weigh in on the Bay Area's future.

Testing Engagement Tactics

As with any new process, some methods and strategies were more successful than others. Forced by the pandemic to find new avenues to reach people who were often struggling to see beyond the immediate challenges of the pandemic and related economic strife, staff iterated new models, picking up what worked, and making adjustments or even dropping approaches that did not produce significant public response. Some experiences shed light on where future engagement innovations may emerge. For example, telephone town halls conducted in Cantonese and Mandarin were sparsely attended despite in-language outreach through traditional channels. In future iterations, the agency plans to conduct engagement activities on the WeChat social platform, where many civic discussions already take place within Chinese speaking communities.

COVID-19 and SB 146

SB 375 (Steinberg, Statutes of 2008) established the requirement for metropolitan areas to plan land-use and transportation investments in a manner that reduces reliance on single-occupant vehicles and supports the state's climate goals. As a landmark piece of legislation with the potential to make profound changes across the state, it included robust outreach requirements, including the requirement to conduct at least three **in-person** workshops for counties with more than 500,000 people and at least one in person workshop for counties with fewer than 500,000 people—resulting in a requirement for 19 workshops in the Bay Area (see Table 1 below). SB 146 (Beall, Statutes of 2020) created a temporary fix lasting through January 2023, clarifying that meetings and public hearings can be conducted **remotely** to satisfy SB 375 requirements.

Table 1. Workshops held to date by county per SB 375 requirements

| Bay Area County | County Population* | Number of Workshops Required Under SB 375 | Number of Workshops to Date** |
|---------------------|-----------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| Alameda County | 1,671,329 | 3 | 8 |
| Contra Costa County | 1,153,526 | 3 | 5 |
| Marin County | 258,826 | 1 | 3 |
| Napa County | 137,744 | 1 | 3 |
| San Francisco | 881,549 | 3 | 7 |
| San Mateo County | 766,573 | 3 | 6 |
| Santa Clara County | 1,927,852 | 3 | 7 |
| Solano County | 447,643 | 1 | 4 |
| Sonoma County | 494,336 | 1 | 3 |
| TOTAL | 7,739,378 | 19 | 46 |

^{*}Source: U.S. Census 2019 data

^{**}Includes Rounds 1 and 2 engagement

Ongoing Engagement

Community-Based Partnerships

Of course, innovation is not limited to technology. MTC and ABAG are committed to pursuing equitable public engagement that centers the experiences of communities that have been historically disinvested, under-resourced and excluded from decision making processes. MTC continues its pioneering approach to engagement by partnering with community-based organizations (CBOs). These partnerships are crucial to connecting and genuinely hearing the perspectives of impacted community members. Partnerships with CBOs help foster trust and understanding with the communities the CBOs serve and elicit valuable insights through focus groups, surveys and direct feedback (including from CBO leaders, who live and/or work in the communities they serve). As COVID-19 disrupted everyone's plans, MTC's eight CBO partners were instrumental in co-creating and maintaining listening channels to ensure that Plan Bay Area 2050 reflected the insights of people most impacted by its policy decisions.

Online Engagement

Staff developed a suite of digital engagement tactics, building off successful tools from past plans and innovating new approaches that ended up playing a crucial role with the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. Staff maintains <u>planbayarea.org</u> as the one-stop source for all information related to the plan. The website provides timely and adequate information for all upcoming events, a prominent registration form to register to receive updates, news and information about the plan via electronic communications, a public comment repository, a glossary and Frequently Asked Questions page, access to past iterations of Plan Bay Area (from 2013 and 2017), and other key information. As the working world migrated over to videoconferences conducted over Zoom and similar platforms, workshops and focus groups were conducted online. Despite some challenges, overall engagement was enhanced after the necessary conversion to a digital-first approach.

In addition, staff sends out routine communications via email to various stakeholders, including monthly e-newsletters dedicated to the plan that target partners and the public These e-newsletters provide important updates like key milestones and opportunities to participate in future meetings and events, and they are sent to nearly 8,500 subscribers monthly. Furthermore, Plan Bay Area 2050 updates and information are also included in MTC's monthly and ABAG's bimonthly agency e-newsletters, which have nearly 35,000 and over 5,300 subscribers, respectively.

Traditional Engagement Tactics

Until the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, staff conducted traditional in-person workshops, focus-groups and pop-up workshops at accessible locations around the Bay Area. When shelter-in-place orders prohibited such interactions at the start of the second round of public engagement in spring of 2020, staff made adjustments to provide meaningful non-digital opportunities for the public to weigh-in, recognizing that digital engagement was not the best way to reach all residents and stakeholders. Described in further detail below, these activities included telephone town halls, digital workshops with telephonic options, text-based surveys and an increase in information sent by mail sent in English, Spanish, Chinese and Vietnamese to residents in zip codes within Equity Priority Communities.

Digital Promotion

The MTC and ABAG social media team created digital promotion campaigns for each round of engagement. Ads were deployed to increase participation from the Bay Area public, including targeted ads to historically hard-to-reach groups. The efforts included promotion of an animated video walking viewers through the various strategies contained in the Plan Bay Area 2050 Draft Blueprint, paid promotion of upcoming events and opportunities to provide feedback to increase participation in the various elements of the plan. Digital promotion greatly increased the reach of engagement efforts — enabling MTC and ABAG to hear from a broader representation of Bay Area residents than ever before. The results of these efforts are summarized in Appendix 4.

Advisory Structure

Throughout the development of Plan Bay Area 2050, MTC and ABAG staff regularly consulted with several advisory groups to hear from a range of perspectives and get early input. These advisory bodies include a Regional Advisory Working Group, Regional Equity Working Group, MTC's Policy Advisory Council and ABAG's Regional Planning Committee. Staff also conducted a workshop for city managers and top officials from a range of local government and transportation agencies.

Regional Advisory Working Group

The Regional Advisory Working Group (RAWG) was involved in the development of Plan Bay Area 2050 from the beginning. The RAWG, an ad hoc regional working group formed in 2010 to advise regional agency staff on the first Plan Bay Area, was called together to meet again starting in 2018 to offer insights and comments on the Futures planning effort, which was part of the Horizon initiative described below and highlighted in Appendix 1. The RAWG consists of a mix of planning staff representatives from local government, county transportation agencies (CTAs), transit agencies, state and partner regional agencies. Specifically, each county was asked to nominate at least one representative to

Meetings of the Regional Advisory Working Group are open to the public. More information can be found on MTC's website: mtc.ca.gov/about-mtc/what-mtc/mtc-organization/partnership-committees/regional-advisory-working-group.

attend and participate for the duration of the process. In addition, representatives of various interest groups — ranging from affordable housing organizations to businesses and developers, equity advocates to public health and environmental groups — also participate. All RAWG meetings are open to the public, and anyone attending who wishes to directly participate and comment on the discussion is encouraged to do so.

From February 2018 through February 2021, RAWG met a total of 23 times. The working group reviewed and commented on MTC's Public Participation Plan; the Futures planning effort; the five Perspective Papers from the Horizon initiative; the project performance methodology for evaluating transportation projects; the Environmental Impact Report (EIR); Priority Development Areas (PDAs), and other Plan Bay Area 2050 topics.

MTC Policy Advisory Council

MTC's 27-member Policy Advisory Council's mission is to advise MTC on transportation policies in the San Francisco Bay Area, incorporating diverse perspectives relating to the environment, the economy and social equity. One of the key topics for the Council has been the development of Plan Bay Area 2050. From February 2018 through February 2021, the group discussed Horizon or Plan Bay Area 2050 at 26 of their meetings. The Council provided feedback and commented on all phases of the Horizon initiative, including the five Perspective Papers; youth and community group engagement; regional growth strategies; public engagement strategies during shelter-in-place; environment and transportation elements; the draft Needs Assessment for transportation, housing, and resilience; and the development of the Plan Bay Area 2050

All Policy Advisory Council meetings are webcast and archived on MTC's website. Meetings are open to the public. More information is available on MTC's website: mtc.ca.gov/about-mtc/what-mtc/mtc-organization/policy-advisory-council.

Implementation Plan. In addition, the Council's members, including those from the Equity and Access Subcommittee, participated as part of the Regional Equity Working Group.

Regional Equity Working Group

Established in 2015, the Regional Equity Working Group (REWG) is an open, ad-hoc group that includes members of the Regional Advisory Working Group (RAWG), representatives from the Policy Advisory Council and the Equity and Access Subcommittee, and stakeholders from Bay Area groups seeking to advance social equity in planning and analysis in developing Plan Bay Area 2050. From September 2019 through November 2020, REWG convened six times to provide feedback and comment on the Equity Analysis portion of Plan Bay Area 2050; existing inequities in the Bay Area; a cross-cutting review of strategies to advance equity; and a discussion of Equity Priority Communities and criteria.

Regional Equity Working Group meetings are open to the public. More information is available on MTC's website: mtc.ca.gov/about-mtc/what-mtc/mtc-organization/interagency-committees/regional-equity-working-group.



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Figure 1: Participants in the December 2019 Regional Equity Working Group

ABAG's Regional Planning Committee

The Regional Planning Committee (RPC) is a standing committee of ABAG that hears Bay Area planning issues of regional concern and makes recommendations to the ABAG Executive Board, including development of Plan Bay Area 2050. The Regional Planning Committee is comprised of 36 members, including a minimum of 18 elected officials from the nine Bay Area Counties; representatives of the four regional agencies (MTC, ABAG, the Bay Area Air Quality Management District and the Bay Conservation and Development Commission); and stakeholders representing business, minorities, economic development, recreation/open space, environment, public interest, housing, special districts and labor. The Committee meets alternate months during the day at MTC and ABAG's offices in San Francisco (pre-COVID-19) and remotely (during COVID-19 shelter-in-place restrictions). Meetings are open to the public. From February 2018 through November 2020, the RPC met 16 times to advise on a range of matters related to the Futures planning effort, the Horizon initiative and Plan Bay Area 2050, including: the Perspective Papers; revisions to the Regional Growth Framework; the Futures Final Report; the Regional Housing Needs Allocation and proposed methodology; public engagement plan revisions; Plan Bay Area 2050's Draft and Final Blueprint; performance and equity outcomes of Plan Bay Area 2050's Draft and Final Blueprint; Priority Development Areas (PDAs); and the development of the Plan Bay Area 2050 Implementation Plan.

RPC meetings are open to the public. Learn more at: <u>abag.ca.gov/about-abag/what-we-do/how-we-govern/committees/regional-planning-committee</u>.

Board Meetings

Staff regularly reports on Plan Bay Area 2050 at various public meetings of the Commission and ABAG Board, including joint meetings of the MTC Planning Committee with the ABAG

<u>Administrative Committee</u>, the <u>Metropolitan Transportation Commission</u>, the <u>ABAG Executive Board</u> and <u>ABAG's General Assembly</u>. Table 2 summarizes the range of meetings where staff presented information on Plan Bay Area 2050 or the Horizon initiative.

Bay Area Regional Collaborative

The Bay Area Regional Collaborative, or BARC, is a 20-member collaboration formerly known as the Joint Policy Committee. BARC helps MTC align its regional planning efforts in concert with ABAG, the Bay Area Air Quality Management District and the Bay Conservation and Development Commission. Current BARC initiatives focus on climate change and adaptation. The Collaborative met three times to discuss topics related to Plan Bay Area 2050.

The Bay Area Partnership Board

This group of top executives from Bay Area transit operators, county transportation agencies and public works departments, as well as regional, state and federal transportation, environmental, resource-protection and land use agencies, advises MTC periodically on key planning issues, including Plan Bay Area 2050. Staff level working groups meet occasionally on issues such as local roads, public transit and transportation finance. From February 2018 through December 2020 the Partnership Board met six times on Plan Bay Area 2050 matters.

Local, State and Federal Government Engagement

In developing Plan Bay Area 2050, MTC and ABAG sought to promote an open, transparent process that encouraged the ongoing and active participation of local jurisdictions, state and federal agencies, and a broad range of interest groups and individuals from the public. Local government staff and representatives from environmental and resource management agencies have all been involved in the multi-year planning effort. Planning staffs from both MTC and ABAG have also met directly with planning directors from local jurisdictions throughout the region, public works staff and other key local officials while developing Plan Bay Area 2050. Furthermore, MTC and ABAG have a robust, bidirectional partnership with Caltrans and other relevant state agencies, strengthened by ongoing coordination. A representative of Caltrans is a member of the RAWG, where they receive regular updates on Plan Bay Area 2050 and provide feedback to guide the plan's development. In turn, MTC and ABAG staff and executives are members of various state advisory boards, including working groups supporting the development of the California Transportation Plan. These venues provide opportunities for closer collaboration and coordination between statewide and regional transportation planning efforts.

Stakeholders from federal resource protection agencies, port authorities, local and major regional airports, land management agencies and freight organizations, as well as conservation and historic preservation groups, were notified of opportunities to comment on issues relevant to the development of the plan and its companion Environmental Impact Report. Additionally, staff from Caltrans and other federal, state and partner agencies subscribe to our electronic communications that notify them of key information and milestones, as well as ongoing opportunities to inform the plan's development. Elected officials from each Bay Area county also were invited to a presentation by MTC and ABAG staff on the Draft Plan held in each county and hosted by the county transportation agencies.

Private Sector Involvement

During plan development, staff presented Horizon and Plan Bay Area 2050 information to private community organizations, local nonprofits and technology companies, including

TransForm; Urban Habitat; San Francisco Planning and Urban Research (SPUR); Public Advocates; ARUP; Gensler; the Silicon Valley Leadership Group; the Bay Area Council; Youth United for Community Action; University of California, Berkeley; University of California, Davis; San José State University; the East Bay Economic Development Alliance; and technology companies such as Swiftly, Zoox and WeWork.

Table 2: Plan Bay Area 2050 presentations at regularly scheduled MTC and ABAG public meetings

| MTC and ABAG Public Meetings (2018 through 2020) | Staff Presentations on Plan Bay Area 2050 and Horizon | | | |
|---|--|--|--|--|
| Advisory Committees | | | | |
| Regional Advisory Working Group | 23 | | | |
| Regional Equity Working Group | 6 | | | |
| Policy Advisory Council | 26 | | | |
| ABAG Regional Planning Committee | 16 | | | |
| Bay Area Partnership Board | 6 | | | |
| Bay Area Regional Collaborative | 2 | | | |
| Board Meetings | | | | |
| Joint MTC Planning Committee with ABAG Administrative Committee | 28 | | | |
| Metropolitan Transportation Commission | 9 | | | |
| ABAG Executive Board | 18 | | | |
| ABAG General Assembly | 3 | | | |
| TOTAL TO DATE | 137 | | | |

Engaging the Bay Area

Groundbreaking Engagement

Engagement with the Bay Area's residents has shaped the plan at every step in the development process. Tens of thousands of people have participated in public open houses, online workshops and other public meetings, pop-up workshops, telephone and internet surveys, and more. The region's 101 cities and nine counties also participated in the development of the plan, as did the Bay Area's other regional agencies, the Bay Conservation and Development Commission and the Bay Area Air Quality Management District. Community-based organizations and advocacy groups representing the Bay Area's diverse communities and interest groups have been active participants throughout the process, as were some three-dozen local transportation agency partners. Representatives from the Bay Area's Native American tribes were also consulted (those activities are summarized in the Draft Plan Bay Area 2050 Native American Tribal Outreach and Government-to-Government Consultation Report). In all, three years of innovative and meticulous technical analysis — informed by continuous and robust engagement — yielded the most ambitious next-generation regional plan the Bay Area has seen: Plan Bay Area 2050.



Figure 2: Plan Bay Area 2050 was the top headline for the July 20, 2020 edition of the San Francisco Chronicle

Laying the Foundation: Horizon Initiative

Starting in 2018, MTC and ABAG staff engaged members of the public, including representatives from youth and community-based organizations, in the planning process of the Horizon initiative. Although a separate effort from Plan Bay Area 2050, Horizon served as an alternative to traditional long-range planning where funding and growth are distributed based on fixed assumptions. The Horizon initiative instead sought to rethink this process by identifying strategies (policies and investments) that would be successful under a variety of circumstances; therefore, improving upon previous long-range plans by actively accounting for uncertain future conditions.

The Horizon initiative was the first comprehensive Bay Area planning effort to examine issues traditionally outside of the long-range regional planning process by stress testing various strategies using three different scenarios, called *Futures*. A set of guiding principles set the foundation for the process, serving as anchors to core values that were used throughout the entire Plan Bay Area 2050 process. The culminating document, the <u>Futures Final Report</u>, explored the three distinct and divergent Futures, conducting stress test analyses to ensure that proposed strategies were resilient to the range of potential future challenges.

Starting in February 2018 with 28 pop-up workshops across the Bay Area, an online survey and a day-long peer exchange that included interdisciplinary subject matter experts from across the Bay Area, the Horizon initiative laid the groundwork for Plan Bay Area 2050. The initiative included two rounds of engagement. The first provided input on Horizon's guiding principles and developed three Futures: Rising Tides, Falling Fortunes; Clean and Green; and Back to the Future. The second round of engagement used in-person workshops, focus groups organized in partnership with community-based organizations and an online survey via the Vital Signs website to identify strategies to meet the plan's vision: to make the Bay Area more affordable, connected, diverse, healthy and vibrant for all Bay Area residents by 2050.

Because the Horizon initiative was fundamental in laying the foundation on which Plan Bay Area 2050 is built, engagement activities are included as Appendix 1.

Engagement Highlights

Table 3. Highlights of Horizon and Plan Bay Area 2050 engagement efforts

| HORIZON | HORIZON PLANBAY AREA 2050 | PLAN BAY AREA 2050 |
|--|---|--|
| Conducted six in-person workshops across six counties reaching over 250 attendees. | The combined engagement efforts around the Horizon initiative and Plan Bay Area 2050 offered over 150 opportunities to participate, reaching nearly 17,000 participants and yielding over 200,000 comments. | Created the groundbreaking <i>Mayor of Bayville</i> game to increase participation from youth and other hard-to-reach populations with versions available in English, Spanish and Chinese engaging over 3,000 participants from 84 of the region's 101 cities and towns yielding 9,900 comments. |
| Partnered with U.C. Berkeley's Y-PLAN program on a year-long curriculum and youth engagement effort at nine schools, one in each Bay Area county, reaching 350 students. | Partnered with community-based organizations to conduct 16 focus groups for the Horizon initiative and Plan Bay Area 2050 in English, Arabic, Chinese and Spanish with over 200 participants. | Conducted a statistically valid telephone poll reaching nearly 3,000 Bay Area residents and yielding almost 150,000 comments. |
| | Ran 19 technical stakeholder workshops for public agency staff peers from all nine counties with over 1,000 total participants. | Conducted online county-specific workshops for all nine Bay Area counties during the COVID-19 shelter-in-place orders yielding over 280 direct participants and over 390 total views. |
| | Deployed small teams to host 65 pop-up workshops in various locations across the Bay Area reaching over 2,000 participants and yielding over 5,100 comments. | Hosted five telephone town halls in English, Spanish, Mandarin and Cantonese to reach residents with limited internet access and/or limited English proficiency. |
| | Developed and promoted three online surveys during various points of the Horizon and Plan Bay Area 2050 process yielding over 24,000 comments. | Hosted Office Hours with 10 local jurisdiction partners and other organizations in response to staff's requests for one-on-one meetings. |
| | Convened the Regional Advisory Working Group 23 times and the Regional Equity Working Group six times to discuss Horizon or Plan Bay Area 2050. | Partnered with advocacy organizations, including SPUR and TransForm, to promote plan. |
| | Sent out two monthly Horizon and Plan Bay Area 2050 newsletters — one to partners and one to the public — throughout the Horizon and Plan Bay Area 2050 process. | |
| | Received over 270 pieces of correspondence via email, online comments and traditional mail. | |

Building Plan Bay Area 2050

After incorporating public feedback from the successful 18-month Horizon initiative, the table was set to introduce the Bay Area's residents to the region's next-generation long-range plan. Illuminated by the strategies developed and refined under Horizon, Play Bay Area 2050 analyzed strategies categorized under four topic areas, or what are called the plan's elements — transportation, housing, the economy, and the environment — integrating the key themes of equity and resilience throughout.

Staff planned the following public engagement phases:

- Prior to the Plan: Plan Information and Promotion (June to September 2019)
- Round 1: Plan Bay Area 2050 Kickoff (October to November 2019)
- Round 2: Draft Blueprint (April to May 2020)
- Round 3A: Implementation Plan (January to February 2021)
- Round 3B: Draft Plan Bay Area 2050 and Draft Environmental Impact Report (May to June 2021)

Prior to the disruptive impacts of the COVID-19 shelter-in-place guidelines, the comprehensive public engagement program already envisioned new strategies to reach wider audiences using digital engagement tools. Between Plan Bay Area 2050's public engagement campaign's first and second round, the entire landscape shifted. With in-person meetings prohibited, staff pivoted toward the innovative engagement tactics detailed below.

Prior to the Plan: Plan Information and Promotion

To kick off plan engagement, staff produced an 11-part webinar series running from June 2019 to September 2019. Designed for local jurisdictions, local staff and members of the public, topics included: nomination and selection of new growth areas; a review of a Horizon Perspective Paper on autonomous vehicles (see Appendix 2); an introduction to modeling platforms (REMI 2.2, Bay Area UrbanSim, & Travel Model 1.5); and an analysis of persistent social inequities in the region.

Additionally, to increase the number of people participating in the public engagement process, staff used a paid digital promotion campaign to introduce and promote the plan to the Bay Area public. This yielded an increase in e-newsletter sign-ups. See Appendix 3.

Round 1 (2019): Introducing Plan Bay Area 2050

Staff kicked off the first round of Plan Bay Area 2050 engagement by holding three technical workshops in the fall of 2019. These half-day events included experts from diverse fields who dove deep into topics like housing and the economy. In addition, the Regional Equity Working Group (REWG) was also convened four times during Round 1, bringing equity advocates to the table to help illuminate strategies that could best address existing inequities in the Bay Area. See Table 4 on the following page.

Table 4. Regional Equity Working Group meetings held during Round 1 of Plan Bay Area 2050 engagement

| Date | Location | Topics |
|---------------------------|-------------|--|
| <u>September 18, 2019</u> | Bay Area | Agency-wide Equity Platform |
| | MetroCenter | • Introduction to Plan Bay Area 2050 and the Equity Analysis |
| November 19, 2019 | Webinar | Existing inequities in the San Francisco Bay Area |
| December 19, 2019 | Bay Area | Plan Bay Area 2050 Blueprint workshop |
| | MetroCenter | |
| January 22, 2020 | Webinar | Strategies for inclusion in the Draft Blueprint of Plan Bay |
| | | Area 2050 |
| | | Overview of blueprint strategies |
| | | Strategies by topic area |

Pop-up Outreach

In September 2019, staff launched another round of pop-up workshops modeled after the engagement efforts during the Horizon initiative. This format consists of meeting people "where they are" at public events or venues (e.g., farmers markets, community festivals, libraries, etc.). In an all-hands-on-deck campaign, dozens of staff were enlisted from across the agency to bring the plan to every corner of the Bay Area, with an emphasis on low-income and communities of color typically left out from decision-making processes (see Table 5).

Over a six-week period from October to November 2019, staff conducted 37 pop-up workshops across all nine Bay Area counties, showing up in diverse locations such as community colleges, farmers markets, street fairs, and even a temporary transportation museum put on by a high school student with a zealous passion for all things transit. The pop-up locations were selected based on availability of existing community events and geographic diversity, prioritizing under-represented communities. The pop-ups were listed on the Plan Bay Area website and promoted via social media to ensure everyone had an opportunity to participate. Over 78% of the pop-up workshops were in Equity Priority Communities, where more people of color and people with low incomes reside. Over 1,000 Bay Area residents participated in the pop-ups, which garnered over 3,000 unique comments.

Table 5. Pop-up workshops

| Table 5. Pop-up workshops | |
|---|-------------|
| Location | Date |
| Napa Farmers Market | October 5 |
| Alum Rock Farmers Market (San José) | October 6 |
| Richmond Library | October 10 |
| Contra Costa College | October 10 |
| Livermore Art Walk | October 12 |
| Diwali Festival (Cupertino) | October 12 |
| Pittsburg Farmers Market | October 12 |
| San Francisco State University | October 16 |
| East Palo Alto Farmers Market | October 16 |
| Luther Burbank Farmers Market (Santa Rosa) | October 16 |
| Orinda Casual Carpool | October 17 |
| Heart of the City Farmers Market (SF) | October 18 |
| Cherryland Fun Run (San Lorenzo) | October 19 |
| College of San Mateo Market | October 19 |
| Sunday Streets – Excelsior (SF) | October 20 |
| Dental Care Event in South SF | October 20 |
| CBO Pop-Up Workshop (San José) | October 22 |
| Santa Clara Library | October 22 |
| Vacaville Job Fair | October 23 |
| Serramonte Farmers Market (Daly City) | October 24 |
| CBO Pop-Up Workshop (Fremont) | October 25 |
| Lake Merritt (Oakland) | October 26 |
| Vacaville Farmers Market | October 26 |
| Vallejo Farmers Market | October 26 |
| Transportation Museum (San Carlos) | October 27 |
| San José Farmers Market | November 1 |
| Día de los Muertos Festival (Oakland) | November 2 |
| CBO Pop-Up Workshop (San Francisco Chinatown) | November 2 |
| Irvington Farmers Market (Fremont) | November 3 |
| Pickleweed Library (San Rafael) | November 7 |
| CBO Pop-up Workshop (East Palo Alto) | November 9 |
| Southeast Community Facility Commission Health Fair (San Francisco) | November 9 |
| Petaluma Farmers Market | November 12 |
| CBO Pop-Up Workshop (San Francisco) | November 16 |
| Napa Farmers Market | November 16 |
| San Rafael Farmers Market | November 17 |
| CBO Pop-Up Workshop (Oakland) | November 19 |
| | |



Photo: Noah Berger Figure 3: A woman provides feedback at a San José farmer's market



Photo: Noah Berger

Figure 4: Members of the public used post-it notes to provide feedback on strategies



Figure 5: A man provides comments on strategies at a pop-up workshop at San Francisco's Sunday Streets Excelsior

Mayor of Bayville

On November 6, 2019, staff launched the <u>Mayor of Bayville</u> online tool to garner public input on the strategies from the Horizon initiative. In the tool, players assume the role of Mayor of Bayville, who is confronted with a series of public policy challenges and must decide how to invest limited resources to address problems such as housing affordability, sea level rise, traffic congestion and income inequality. Aimed at reaching younger and more diverse audiences, the game was promoted via the agency's social media channels and with targeted online advertising. The game was available in three languages (English, Spanish, and Chinese), and it reached over 3,000 participants from 84 of the region's 101 cities and towns. In the six weeks when responses were collected, over 9,900 unique comments came in. Created in partnership with the firm Exygy, the game was <u>recognized</u> by the 2020 San Francisco Design Week awards and is slated to be reiterated for future planning efforts.



Figure 6: Mayor of Bayville online game

Tribal Engagement

On December 12, 2019 staff met with representatives from the Bay Area's Native American tribes at the National Indian Justice Center in Santa Rosa. Details of all tribal engagement activities and government-to-government consultations are provided in the <u>Draft Plan Bay Area 2050 Native American Tribal Outreach and Government-to-Government Consultation Report.</u>

What We Heard

The first round of public engagement yielded nearly 13,000 unique comments from approximately 4,800 participants at 57 engagement opportunities. Ninety percent of the comments from the pop-ups supported the high-performing strategies identified through the Horizon initiative, including modernizing public transit, building affordable housing, and encouraging more biking and walking. Less popular strategies included lowering speed limits to reduce roadway injuries and fatalities and increasing development fees in places that generate long auto trips. Participants also offered new ideas such as support for cooperative housing, improvements to the first/last mile of connectivity for transit and support for job growth beyond the current job centers. The complete results from Round 1 of Plan Bay Area 2050 engagement were presented at the December 2019 meeting of the Joint MTC Planning Committee with the ABAG Administrative Committee.

Round 2 (2020): Plan Bay Area 2050 Draft Blueprint

Public feedback from Round 1 helped staff prioritize and refine the strategies that would be approved by MTC and ABAG for further study and analysis through the Draft Blueprint phase. Throughout spring 2020, staff analyzed the 25 integrated strategies to determine how far they might be able to move the region toward a more affordable, connected, diverse, healthy and vibrant Bay Area for all by the year 2050. The results of this analysis showed that the strategies made meaningful gains on some key regional issues, such as regional affordability, transit and roadway safety, and infrastructure protections from sea level rise and earthquakes. However, five persistent challenges emerged as key focus areas for revision:

- 1. Insufficient affordable housing
- 2. Greenhouse gas emissions³
- 3. Congestion and transit crowding

³ The initial Draft Blueprint analysis identified that the region failed to meet its state-mandated target to reduce GHG emissions by 19% as set by the California Air Resources Board.

- 4. Jobs-housing imbalance
- 5. Displacement risk

Round 2 engagement focused on seeking input from the public on new or enhanced strategies that would best address these five remaining challenges. As planning for Round 2 activities kicked off, the COVID-19 pandemic struck, with all face-to-face activities essentially banned overnight due to mandatory shelter-in-place orders. With Round 2 set to begin in April, staff proceeded to convert all engagement activities to an array of digital platforms where the public could safely learn and provide input. In what could be described as assembling an airplane in mid-flight, staff revamped engagement efforts to include tried and tested methods as well as entirely new approaches.

A short three-minute $\underline{\text{video}}$ produced by staff introduced the strategies included in the Draft Blueprint and sought public input on how to improve them. The video was a key element of the Round 2 public engagement.



Figure 7: Title shot from Crafting a Blueprint for the Bay Area's Future animated video.

A robust effort of online promotion for Plan Bay Area 2050 led to over 150,000 pageviews and over 600,000 post engagements⁴. Over the unprecedented spring and summer of 2020, as the region was rocked by the pandemic, protests over racial injustice, and smoke from devastating wildfires, staff conducted 37 separate engagement activities for the Draft Blueprint, hearing from nearly 8,000 Bay Area residents, who provided over 170,000 unique comments. Below is a description of the various public engagement efforts soliciting input on the Draft Blueprint that comprised Round 2 of Plan Bay Area 2050 engagement.

Community-Based Focus Groups

In partnership with community-based organizations that were contracted to work with MTC and ABAG over the Plan Bay Area 2050 process, staff facilitated seven focus groups in the late spring of 2020. Conducted remotely, the focus groups were designed to function as listening sessions where participants were invited to suggest ways to improve or alter the Draft Blueprint's strategies. A total of 60 participants offered over 260 unique comments on the

⁴ "Post engagements" are the total number of actions that people take involving social media ads. Post engagements can include actions such as reacting to, commenting on or sharing the ad, claiming an offer, viewing a photo or video, or clicking on a link.

Draft Blueprint. Focus groups were hosted using Zoom or WebEx, depending on the event, with the additional option to participate online or by phone for those without access to internet.

Table 6: Community-based organization focus groups for Round 2

| Community-Based Organization | Focus Group Format | Date |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Acterra | Zoom | May 7, 2020 3-5 p.m. |
| Rose Foundation | Zoom | May 12, 2020 4-5:30 p.m. |
| Sacred Heart (Chinese) | Zoom | May 15, 2020 1:30-3 p.m. |
| Sound of Hope | WebEx Teleconference | May 16, 2020 1:30-3 p.m. |
| West Oakland EIP | Zoom | May 19, 2020 4-6 p.m. |
| Green Hive | Zoom | May 20, 2020 2-3:30 p.m. |
| West Oakland EIP (Yemeni Arabic) | Zoom | June 11, 2020 4-6 p.m. |

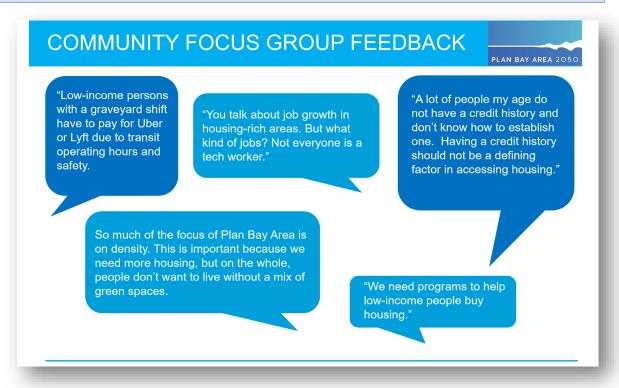


Figure 8: Comments heard at community focus group meetings

Coffee Conversation

On May 21, 2020, staff convened a special Coffee Conversation: Let's Talk Climate Change in partnership with Kanyon Sayers-Roods, a Constanoan Ohlone and Chumash leader. Over 40 participants joined for a conversation examining climate change impacts with a strong focus on Indigenous communities' experiences and sustainability practices.

Digital Workshops

From July 15 to August 5, 2020, staff held a series of nine county-specific digital workshops, one for each of the Bay Area's nine counties. The workshops were held over Zoom, mostly on

weekday evenings with two midday workshops held on a Saturday and Wednesday (for Marin and Santa Clara Counties, respectively). The initial number of attendees was over 280, while ultimately the workshop video recordings were viewed nearly 400 times as of the date of this report's publication (via event recordings hosted on the Plan Bay Area website). Feedback from workshop participants was captured in an online survey, described below.

Online Survey

A month-long survey was launched on July 10, 2020 via the online platform Typeform. Over 3,900 responders offered nearly 20,000 unique comments. Notably, the survey invited openended responses to the following challenges, which were adapted from the five key challenges identified through the Draft Blueprint analysis:

- Housing Unaffordability
- Congestion and Crowding
- Climate Emissions
- Jobs-Housing Imbalance
- Displacement

Tribal Engagement

On August 3, 2020, in lieu of the traditional in-person summit, staff held a digital Tribal Summit with 24 participants over Zoom due to the ongoing shelter-in-place orders. Ten tribes were invited, including six federally recognized tribes and four non-federally recognized tribes. After opening remarks by then-MTC Commissioner Jake Mackenzie, ABAG Executive Board Member David Rabbitt, and MTC and ABAG Executive Director Therese McMillan, staff provided information on the Draft Blueprint as well as the initial Notice of Preparation (NOP) step of the Environmental Impact Report process. Caltrans District 4 staff was also present to provide an update on related projects. Tribe representatives provided a total of 27 specific comments on the *Draft Blueprint*.

Details of all tribal engagement activities and government-to-government consultations are provided in the <u>Draft Plan Bay Area 2050 Native American Tribal Outreach and Government-to-Government Consultation Report.</u>

Telephone Town Hall

To reach those with limited internet access and/or limited English proficiency, staff held five telephone town hall sessions: two in English, one in Spanish, one in Mandarin and one in Cantonese. Staff promoted the events via a printed flyer directly mailed to 20,000 Bay Area households located in Equity Priority Communities in all nine Bay Area counties. Additionally, the events were promoted via the Nextdoor social media platform through a campaign that targeted zip codes located in Equity Priority Communities. Furthermore, a member of MTC's Policy Advisory Council promoted the telephone town halls to members of the unhoused community through organizations that serve these residents.

The events took place from July 24 to August 6, 2020 during the day, with three of the five town halls held on a Saturday. Although participation in the telephone town halls was sparse, the smaller groups allowed for deeper dialogue. Comments received during the telephone town halls reflected the communities that were targeted through the promotional activities noted above. This effort was a first for MTC and ABAG — both using the telephone town hall format *and* holding the town halls in-language — helping the agencies meet the goal of reaching as many diverse residents as possible. Using the telephone town hall format provided

staff with valuable lessons on ways that telephone-based engagement could be integrated into future planning work.

Table 7. Telephone Town Hall events held for Round 2 of Plan Bay Area 2050 engagement

| Date | Time | Language |
|--------------------------|------------------------|-----------|
| Friday, July 24, 2020 | 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. | Mandarin |
| Saturday, July 25, 2020 | 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. | English |
| Saturday, July 25, 2020 | 2 – 4 p.m. | Cantonese |
| Saturday, August 1, 2020 | 2 – 4 p.m. | Spanish |
| Thursday, August 6, 2020 | 4 – 6 p.m. | English |

Statistically Valid Telephone Poll

In addition to the telephone town halls, the agency invested in a statistically valid telephone poll to gather feedback on the strategies included in Plan Bay Area 2050's Draft Blueprint. Over the course of ten days starting on July 22, 2020, the poll reached nearly 3,000 residents who responded to 50 questions (garnering a total of 149,850 individual responses to question prompts). A minimum of 400 randomly selected adults were interviewed in each county/subregion⁵, and the poll had an overall margin of error of 1.79%. Respondents shared a strong concern for homelessness and housing, along with rising concerns about public health. The poll also showed the region's openness towards planning for housing and commercial development regionally — rather than at the local level — has increased over the past decade.

The two figures on the following page show responses to two of the survey questions. The full results of the survey were <u>presented to the Joint MTC Planning Committee with the ABAG Administrative Committee meeting</u> of September 2020.

 $^{^{\}rm 5}$ Marin/Sonoma and Napa/Solano counties were combined into two subregions.

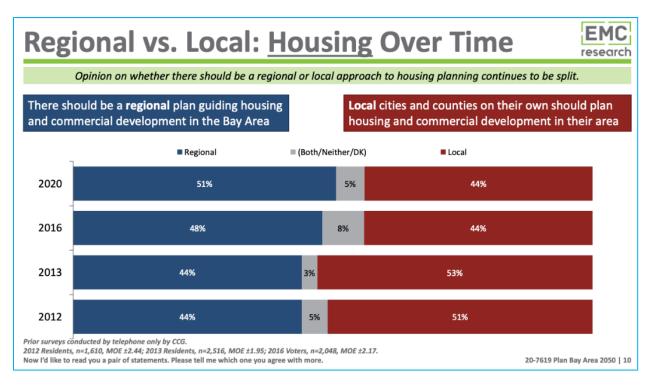


Figure 9: Summary of responses to regional versus local control over housing planning question

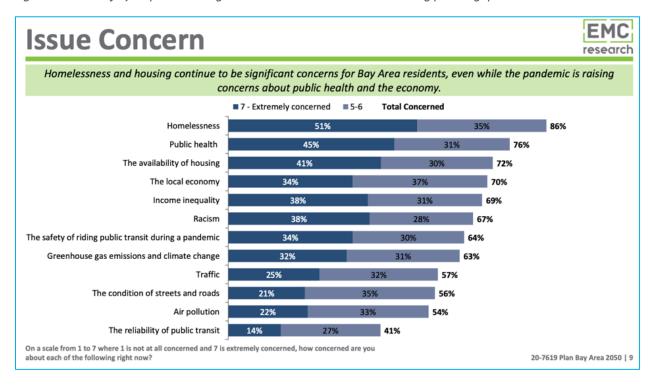


Figure 10: Summary of top issue concerns from telephone poll.

Consulting External Expertise

In addition to the above activities, from July 29 through August 7, 2020 staff convened a series of three technical stakeholder workshops with members of the Regional Advisory Working Group. Built around three distinct themes of housing and the economy; a focus on

equity; and transportation and the environment, a total of 160 people attended the workshops offering nearly 1,000 unique comments.

The agency also hosted ten Office Hours sessions for staff-to-staff discussions to answer questions about Plan Bay Area 2050 and the Draft Blueprint at the jurisdictional level. In total, 10 jurisdictions or partner agencies requested meetings to understand the data inputs and models used to estimate housing and employment growth.

What We Heard

One of the most basic measures of public engagement is: "After all that you heard, what changed?" Here we can draw a direct line between individual feedback which, in aggregate, helped illuminate impacts not readily apparent in the Draft Blueprint. For example, in response to the lack of interest for charging office development impact fees, MTC and ABAG staff replaced that strategy with an incentive-based approach in the Final Blueprint. Another key example was adding new strategies to enhance parks and open space after the public highlighted their desire to increase or maintain access to open space, especially in communities with forecasted population growth or limited existing access to parks. The plan also benefited from suggestions from the public to be more visionary in the strategy to Enable a Seamless Mobility Experience, aiming beyond trip planning and payments to incorporate schedule coordination between transit agencies. Overall, the input helped to improve and expand the 25 strategies to 35 bold and equitable strategies. Table 8 highlights key messages heard during Round 2 of engagement. Additionally, Appendix 2 includes a presentation that details how public feedback influenced revisions to the plan's strategies from the Draft Blueprint to the Final Blueprint phase, as well as a summary of the results of Round 2 engagement.

Table 8. Plan Bay Area 2050 Round 2: Summary of Public Engagement Feedback

| Challenge | Highlights of Public Engagement Feedback | Top 2 Strategy Ideas to Address Challenge |
|-----------------------------|---|--|
| Affordable Housing | Build more housing (affordable, middle-income, near transit, near jobs, mixed-use, accessible, eco-friendly) Provide homeownership assistance Hold jurisdictions accountable to RHNA Increase density, build up, address zoning restrictions Support expansion of community land trusts Pass the regional housing bond | Invest in constructing more affordable housing. Expand capacity for new housing in communities with well-resourced schools and good access to jobs. |
| Greenhouse Gas Emissions | Concern the region will not meet its greenhouse gas emissions target Support for the Climate Initiatives Program Implement a carbon tax/offsets Expand and improve transit so people do not have to drive | Require employers to implement mandatory work from home policies 2 or 3 days per week. Expand electric vehicle and charging infrastructure subsidies, especially for lower-income households. |

| Challenge | Highlights of Public Engagement Feedback | Top 2 Strategy Ideas to Address Challenge | |
|---------------------------|---|--|--|
| Congestion and Crowding | Coordinate, improve and expand transit service Prioritize implementation of Complete Streets Address first-mile access to regional transit systems Little support for widening freeways and for all-lane tolling | Redesign public transit systems to provide more seamless transfers and focus service on high frequency routes. Extend regional rail services to new communities and increase the frequency of service. | |
| Jobs-Housing Imbalance | Address wealth disparities: implement a universal basic income, livable wages, debt forgiveness, tax the rich Bring jobs near housing; provide incentives for East Bay job growth Strong support for incubator programs | Provide tax subsidies for employers to relocate middle-wage jobs closer to affordable housing. Expand business incubator programs to create new small businesses in housing-rich communities. | |
| Displacement Risk | Strengthen household and commercial renter protections Strong support for job training programs Address wealth disparities: implement a universal basic income, livable wages, debt forgiveness, tax the rich | Expand investment in the preservation of permanently affordable housing in communities facing displacement. Ensure ample affordable housing is built in communities most at risk of displacement. | |

The single largest source of feedback was the statistically valid poll, which yielded 88% of the over 170,000 total unique comments from the second round of public engagement. The poll was consistent with the other forms of engagement in some ways, while contrasting in others. Similarities:

- Housing is the top concern, particularly affordable housing
- Strong support for seamless mobility and Complete Streets; more limited support for all-lane tolling
- Support for EV incentives and small business incubators

Differences:

- Greater support for rebuilding interchanges in polling results compared to other engagement
- Greater support for expanded job training programs in polling results compared to other engagement

The public was also asked to rank the five remaining challenges in order of importance to them. In priority order, this is how the challenges were ranked:

- 1. Insufficient affordable housing
- 2. Greenhouse gas emissions
- 3. Congestion and transit crowding

- 4. Jobs-housing imbalance
- 5. Displacement risk

Release of Draft Plan Bay Area 2050 (2021)

Draft Plan Bay Area 2050 was released in May 2021. A summary of activities from Round 3A: Implementation Plan and 3B: Draft Plan Bay Area 2050 and Draft Environmental Impact Report will be provided in an update to this public engagement report to be published at the end of the entire Plan Bay Area 2050 process later this year.

Public engagement for Rounds 3A and 3B includes:

- Focus groups with community-based organizations
- Digital and text-based surveys on Implementation Plan priorities
- Stakeholder and partner engagement on the Implementation Plan and Draft Plan
- Presentation of the Draft Plan to local elected officials in all nine Bay Area counties
- Development and promotion of informational videos on the Draft Plan
- Four online workshops and public hearings on the Draft Plan
- A video challenge aimed at increasing youth participation
- Briefing for members of the news media
- Summary of comments heard presented to MTC and ABAG policymakers

Plan Bay Area 2050: Public Engagement Report **Appendices**

Appendix 1 | Horizon Initiative Engagement

Round 1: Developing the Guiding Principles

The main goal of the Horizon initiative (as well as Plan Bay Area 2050) was to identify a series of strategies (policies and investments) that would be effective in meeting the region's goals when measured against a set of guiding principles for the Bay Area. The guiding principles were developed via a process that engaged thousands of Bay Area residents through pop-up in-person workshops as well as an online survey. Members of the public were asked "What are the most pressing issues we should consider as we plan for life in 2050?" The five principles that emerged from this process guide both Horizon and Plan Bay Area 2050 work and are listed below under What We Heard.

Pop-up Outreach

From February to March 2018, staff conducted a total of 28 pop-up workshops across the region, including events at community colleges, libraries, a flea market, farmers markets, and youth conferences. Of those pop-up workshops, 17 were held in Equity Priority Communities. At the public pop-up events, residents were asked two questions: (Q1) Which qualities they would like to retain by the year 2050? and (Q2) which qualities they would like to change by the year 2050? The public was encouraged to focus comments in six main categories: environment, people and community, economy and jobs, housing, transportation, and other.



Photo: Noah Berger

Figure A-1: A canine companion is all ears at Sunday Streets Excelsior in San Francisco



Figure A-2: A pop-up participant offers staff her feedback at a Chinatown YMCA pop-up

Online Survey

Over the same period, staff ran an online survey that was promoted on the agency's website, social media pages, and with paid advertisements on Facebook. The survey yielded 1,600 complete responses from participants across all nine Bay Area counties. The online survey started with the following multiple-choice question: What are the most pressing issues we should consider as we plan for life in 2050? Participants were asked to select up to three choices. Affordable housing, public transportation, the environment, cost of living, and traffic congestion were the five most cited issues in rank order.

What We Heard

The pop-up workshops and the online survey together generated about 10,000 unique comments. Staff analyzed the comments for common themes and with a special focus on whether the theme responses were consistent across the region. That feedback yielded the five guiding principles that inform the Horizon initiative and Plan Bay Area 2050:

- Affordable: All Bay Area residents and workers have sufficient housing options they can afford households are economically secure.
- **Connected:** An expanded, well-functioning transportation system connects the Bay Area fast, frequent and efficient intercity trips are complemented by a suite of local transportation options, thereby connecting communities and creating a cohesive region.
- **Diverse:** Bay Area residents support an inclusive region where people from all backgrounds, abilities and ages can remain in place with access to the region's assets and resources.

- **Healthy:** The region's natural resources, open space, clean water and clean air are conserved the region actively reduces its environmental footprint and protects residents from environmental impacts.
- **Vibrant:** The Bay Area is an innovation leader, creating quality job opportunities for all and ample fiscal resources for communities.

Round 2: Strategies for a Better Future

Anchored by the five guiding principles, staff then tested how various strategies would fare against the three Futures. These strategies were brought to the public for their input from February to April 2019 in a series of interactive events including a facilitated game activity, nine CBO partnered focus groups, six public open house-style workshops, online engagement via MTC and ABAG's Vital Signs website, and classroom-based student engagements. Staff asked participants to select strategies that would perform best across the variety of circumstances that each future presented. The strategies with the strongest support across all engagement platforms were identified and advanced into the next phase of planning. Some competing strategies preferred by different groups were matched with challenges detailed in the *Opportunities and Challenges Report* and considered for further study.

Initial analysis of the input from the public and stakeholder engagement events found that there were some areas of strong agreement on strategies across all Futures:

- Bay Area residents and stakeholders want to prioritize creation of a world-class public transportation system. There was strong consensus around modernizing and increasing capacity of the existing rail system - especially if there are adequate financial resources.
- Bay Area residents and stakeholders want to build more housing for those of all income levels, especially near transit. Allowing new development near rail transit stations and increasing inclusionary requirements were popular ideas to address rising unaffordability.
- Bay Area residents and stakeholders want to protect the region's environment, regardless of what the future has in store. Adapting to sea level rise and preserving today's urban growth boundaries were clear priorities for outreach participants.

Community-Based Focus Groups

As part of the early 2019 outreach for Plan Bay Area 2050, MTC and ABAG conducted nine focus groups with community-based organizations in February 2019, with a focus on hearing from underrepresented groups from around the Bay Area. The purpose of each focus group was to get feedback on which of the strategies best address the challenges and opportunities posed by the Futures.

At each focus group, an MTC and ABAG staff member provided a brief presentation to familiarize attendees with the subject matter. A facilitated discussion provided the opportunity for participants to offer input on the suite of transportation, housing, economic development and environmental strategies. In total, over 190 focus group participants offered over 2,200 comments, identifying their top three strategies within each category along with the single least appealing strategy per category.

Table A-1: Horizon community-based focus group details

Rose Foundation | Oakland

February 5, 2019 | 10 participants, mostly students younger than 25 from Oakland and San Francisco

Green Hive Spaces | Vallejo

February 8, 2019 | 14 participants from the area.

Community Resources for Independent Living (CRIL) | Hayward

February 12, 2019 (Spanish) | 11 participants; February 26, 2019 (English) | 12 participants connected to peer-based disability resource organization

Acterra | East Palo Alto

February 13, 2019 | 29 E. Palo Alto residents & environmental justice activists

West Oakland Environmental Indicators Project | Oakland

February 15, 2019 | 15 participants from West Oakland (English);

February 24, 2019 | 34 participants from West Oakland's Yemeni community (Arabic translation)

Sound of Hope Chinese Public Radio Network | San Francisco

February 16, 2019 (Mandarin) | 18 participants from San Francisco's Chinese community.

Sacred Heart Community Service | Santa Clara

February 22, 2019 | 49 participants, many from Limited English Proficient households receiving social services

Highlights:

- Over 400 comments received
- Interpretation in Mandarin, Spanish and Arabic (Yemeni)



Source: BayVoice.net

Figure A-3: News coverage of the February 2019 workshop at the San Francisco Community Resource Center

Public Workshops

In March of 2019, staff conducted a series of six public workshops in counties across the region (Alameda, Contra Costa, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Solano, and Sonoma). The workshop locations were selected based on geographic diversity and the location's proximity to transit. These open, interactive events were promoted on Facebook (Figure A-4) and included a staff presentation on the strategies and a dot voting exercise. The nearly 260 participants provided some 5,100 comments.

Table A-2: Horizon public workshops

| Location | Date | # Participants |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|
| | | # raiticipants |
| Alameda County (Oakland) | Tuesday, March 12, 2019 | 90 |
| | 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. | |
| Santa Clara County (San José) | Thursday, March 14, 2019 | 32 |
| | 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. | |
| Sonoma County (Petaluma) | Saturday, March 16, 2019 | 36 |
| | 10 a.m. to 12 noon | |
| San Mateo County (San Bruno) | Tuesday, March 19, 2019 | 30 |
| | 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. | |
| Solano County (Vallejo) | Wednesday, March 20, 2019 | 60 |
| | 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. | |
| Contra Costa County (Walnut Creek) | Wednesday, March 27, 2019 | 10 |
| | 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. | |



Figure A-4: Sample Facebook Ad promoting Horizon Workshop in March 2019



Figure A-5: MTC Policy Advisory Council Member K. Patrice Williams shares a laugh with a resident at the Solano County workshop



Figure A-6: A participant provides MTC staff with feedback at the Contra Costa County workshop

Online Survey

From March 8 to April 19, 2019, staff ran an online survey via the Vital Signs website. The survey covered the same material as the public workshops and focus groups, yielding 339 responses and 720 comments. This input was included in the totals from this round of engagement.

Youth Engagement

In the spring semester of the 2018-2019 school year, MTC and ABAG partnered with Y-PLAN, a unique program run out of the UC Berkeley Center for Cities and Schools, that enables young people to develop solutions to challenges in their communities. Using a 5-step methodology, Y-PLAN supported 350 students from 9 participating campuses across the Bay Area in collecting data in their neighborhoods and generating strategies presented in the three Futures. Overall, analysis of the regional data collected from classrooms across the nine counties found that students offered distinctive ideas and identified priorities and/or strategies for the year 2050 that aligned well with Horizon's guiding principles of making the Bay Area more affordable, connected, diverse, healthy and vibrant. The year-long program culminated in an event at UC Berkeley at the end of the school year, where students presented their findings to staff from MTC and ABAG as well as BART, Oakland Unified School District and other public agencies.

Table A-3: Y-PLAN Participating Schools

| School | County | City |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| McClymonds High School | Alameda | Oakland |
| 10-12th grade, Technology | | |
| Kennedy High School | Contra Costa | Richmond |
| 12th grade, Information Technology | | |
| Laurel Dell Elementary School | Marin | San Rafael |
| 5th grade | | |
| American Canyon High School | Napa | American Canyon |
| 9-12th grade, Leadership | | |
| Balboa High School | San Francisco | San Francisco |
| 12th grade, Environmental Science | | |
| East Palo Alto Phoenix Academy | San Mateo | East Palo Alto |
| 12th grade, AP Environmental Science | | |
| Escuela Popular | Santa Clara | San José |
| 8th grade, English | | |
| Benicia Middle School | Solano | Benicia |
| 7 and 8th grade, Service Learning | | |
| Cesar Chavez Language Academy | Sonoma | Sebastopol |
| 4th grade, English and Science | | |



Stakeholder Engagement

In an innovative approach to "gamifying" long-term planning, staff designed and developed "Transform the Future," an interactive board game where players make decisions to address the challenges laid out in three separate Futures. With the use of an allocation of "funds," the table of players discussed options with one another and ultimately developed a consensus on allocating their finite funds amongst the competing strategies. For more information on the game, read the Introductory section (pages i - xi) in the Transform-the-Future Strategy Booklet.

On March 11, 2019, staff convened a half-day technical stakeholder workshop where attendees played the "<u>Transform-the-Future</u>" game. Over two-thirds of the 65 participants from all nine counties were public agency staff. In a post-game survey, over 85% of respondents said that they found the workshop useful and informative.



Figure A-8: Participants play Transform the Future

What We Heard

From a facilitated game activity with technical stakeholders to discussions with community group members, to public open house-style workshops, engagement with students and an online survey, staff sought input on a suite of transportation, land use, economic development and resilience strategies to help determine which strategies best address future opportunities and challenges. In total some 1,200 participants provided over 8,000 unique comments during this phase of outreach events for "Strategies for a Better Future." A

summary of public feedback from these activities is available <u>here</u>. Their feedback was instrumental in identifying the strategies that were tested in the final phase of Horizon.

Other Horizon Engagement

Transformative Projects

In June 2018, MTC and ABAG issued a Request for Transformative Projects to the Bay Area, asking for project ideas that would have the potential to revolutionize how we move around the region. Going beyond past calls for projects that only included submissions from public sector partners, MTC and ABAG also sought innovative ideas from individuals, private sector companies and non-governmental organizations. The response to this request was significant – over 500 megaproject ideas were submitted by individuals and non-governmental organizations, yielding 12 that were included in Horizon's Project Performance Assessment.

Art on the Horizon

As part of the agencies' Horizon planning initiative in early 2019, MTC and ABAG hosted "Art on the Horizon: Youth Confronting Climate Change," MTC and ABAG's first-ever art contest for youth. The agencies sought digital art submissions that demonstrated what could be done to combat climate change. The contest was open to artists aged 13 to 23, and the contest focused on video and photo mediums. Winners were selected by a jury that included staff from MTC and ABAG and partner agencies, private sector art professionals and a member of the Policy Advisory Council. Winners were selected in spring of 2019 and were announced at the Y-Plan Policy Summit at UC Berkeley on May 7, 2019.

Perspective Paper Release Events

From June 2018 through September 2019, staff held events around the release of five Perspective Papers designed to inform the Horizon process. The Papers explored key issues impacting the Bay Area's future: autonomous vehicles, shared mobility, regional growth, the future of jobs, and where to build future Bay crossings. The events were generally held after work hours at diverse venues including the San Mateo Public Library, the Hayward City Council, WeWork in San José, the Bay Area Metro Center in San Francisco and an online webinar. Staff presented the papers' findings to qualitatively assess strategies and identify related tradeoffs. Some 250 participants engaged in discussions on shifts in culture, technology, equity, and issues identified in the Perspective Papers.

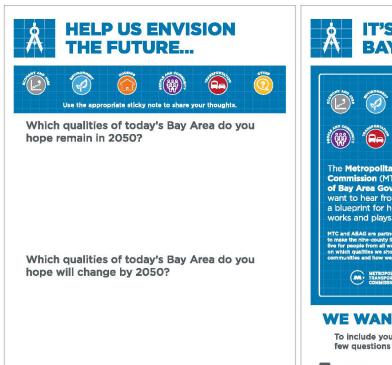
Table A-4: Perspective papers release events

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| Location | Date and Time | Perspective Paper Title |
| Bay Area Metro Center, San Francisco | June 26, 2018 | Autonomous Vehicles |
| | 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. | |
| WeWork San José, Santa Clara | September 26, 2018 | Toward a Shared Future: Strategies |
| | 6 p.m.to 8 p.m. | to Manage Travel Demand |
| Council Chambers, Hayward | January 30, 2019 | Regional Growth Strategies |
| · | 6 p.m.to 8 p.m. | |
| Public Library Main Branch, San Mateo | May 20, 2019 | The Future of Jobs |
| · | 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. | |
| Online Webinar | September 20, 2019 | Bay Crossings: Transformative |
| | 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. | Investments for an Uncertain Future |

Horizon Engagement Materials

Pop-up Workshops — Display Boards

February - March 2018 English, Spanish and Chinese



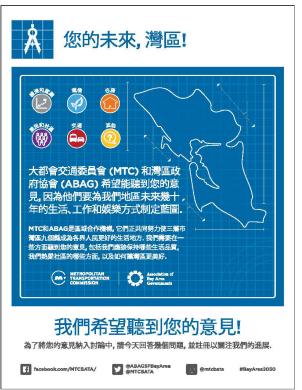




¿Cuáles cualidades del Área de la Bahía de hoy esperaría que cambien para el 2050?







Online Survey Postcard



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MTC and ABAG want to hear from
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how our region lives, words and
plays in the decades ahead. Please
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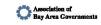
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Online Survey

February - March 2018

Introductory text:

The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) are partner regional agencies working together to make the nine-county San Francisco Bay Area a better place to live for people from all walks of life. MTC and ABAG want to hear from you as they develop a blueprint for how our region lives, works and plays in the decades ahead.

What will the Bay Area look like in 2050? Put on your futurist thinking cap and take a few minutes to answer the following questions.

Survey questions:

What are the most pressing issues we should consider as we plan for life in 2050? Choose your top three. (multiple choice, answer choices randomized per participant)

- Affordable housing
- Traffic congestion
- Homelessness
- Crime/Safety/Police
- Overcrowding/Sustainable growth
- Economy/Jobs
- Cost of living
- Immigration
- Taxes/the Budget
- Infrastructure
- Public transportation
- Environment
- Education/Schools
- Health care
- Disaster recovery (e.g., earthquakes, fires, etc.)
- New technologies (e.g., autonomous vehicles/self-driving cars, electric vehicles, etc.)
- Racial equity and diversity

Open-ended questions:

The year is 2050. What is one way that your housing improved or changed?

The year is 2050. What is one way that your ability to get places improved or changed?

The year is 2050. What is one way that your daily life improved or changed?

The year is 2050. What is one way that our natural environment improved or changed?

The year is 2050. What is one way that your economic situation/job improved or changed?

The year is 2050. What is one way that your community improved or changed?

Demographic questions:

In which county do you reside? (optional)

- Alameda County
- Contra Costa County
- Marin County
- Napa County
- San Francisco County

- San Mateo County
- Santa Clara County
- Solano County
- Sonoma County
- Outside of the Bay Area

What is your age range? (optional)

- Under 18
- 18 to 29
- 30 to 45
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- 46 to 65
- Over 65

What is your gender? (optional)

- Female
- Male
- Other gender

What is your race/ethnicity? Please select all that apply. (optional)

- African American
- Asian
- Hispanic/Latino
- Native American/Alaskan Native
- Pacific Islander
- White
- Other

To find out the results of this survey and to stay involved in planning for the future of the Bay Area, sign up to receive occasional updates from MTC by sharing your email in the field below.

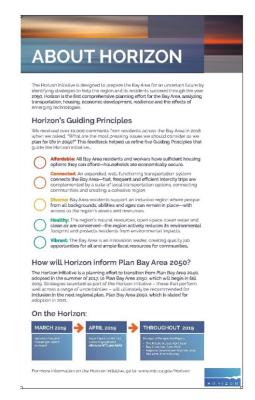
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Public Workshops: Display Boards and Dot Voting Posters March 2019













Dot Voting Posters

AFFORDABLE CONNECTED Repurpose Public Land to Build Housing Develop a Single Platform to Access all Mobility Options Complete Regional Bike Network Establish Urban Reserves for Housing Development Increase Freeway Capacity and Build Express Lanes to Sacramento and Tracy Transform Aging Malls and Office Parks Into Neighborhoods Reuse Excess Parking for Housing Build and Operate a Next Generation Bus Rapid Transit Apply 10-Cent-per-Mile Peak-Period Pricing on Freeways Institute a Bay Area Universal Basic Income (UBI) for Low-Income Households Build a New Transbay Rail Crossing Build a New Transbay Highway Crossing Extend the Regional Rail Network Allow Diverse Housing Around all Major Transit Stops Increase Capacity and Frequency by Modernizing Existing Rall Network

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| | Develop a Housing Lottery Preference Program | Expand Support for Low-Income Community College Students | Subsidize Small Businesses Impacted by Transit Projects | Establish Vehicle Trip Reduction Requirements for all New Development | Pass a Regional Measure for Parks, Trails and Greenways | Adapt Highway 37 to Sea Level Rise and Expand Bridge and Rail Seismic Programs |
| ٥ | Invest in Free "Last Mile" Service | Mandate Private Mobility Businesses Accommodate the Elderly and People with Disabilities | Increase Renter Protections | Purchase Disaster Recovery Financing to Fast-Lane Priority Development Arna (PDA) Implementation | Implement Parking Fees | Pass a Statewide Carbon Tax on Food and Goods |
| | Require 20 Percent of all new Housing to be Affordable | Expand the Income Tax Credit for Renters | Allow Affordable Housing in Areas of High Opportunity | Partially Adapt to Sea Level Rise | Fully Adapt to Sea Level Rise | Expand Financing for Energy, Water, Selsmic, Fire and Accessibility Improvements |
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What other strategies would you use to prepare for these futures?

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| Develop a State-Level Fund for Automation-Induced Job Displacement | Create Incubator Program in Economically Challenged Communities | Provide Portable Benefits for Part-Time and Freelance Workers |
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| Implement Incentives and Disincentives to Locate Jobs in Housing-Rich Locations | | |

Youth Engagement: Y-PLAN Bay Area-Horizon Pilot Executive Summary

2018-19 Partnership with U.C. Berkeley's Center for Cities + Schools







Y-PLAN Bay Area - Horizon Pilot Partnership 2018-19 Final Report

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY⁶

The UC Berkeley Center for Cities + Schools (CC+S) partnered with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission and Association of Bay Area Governments (MTC/ABAG) throughout the 2018 - 2019 academic year to conduct a pilot Y-PLAN project. The goal of this partnership was to engage local youth and K-12 schools in better understanding "The Future of Schools" in the Bay Area Region. This work utilized the Y-PLAN methodology to generate youth insights, recommendations, and proposals to inform the Horizon initiative with students from all nine Bay Area counties.

CC+S had a two-pronged approach to elicit planning recommendations from more than 350 students across the Bay Area:

- 1. Intensive Y-PLAN Bay Area MTC/ABAG Horizon implementation projects in five Bay Area counties: Alameda, Contra Costa, San Francisco, San Mateo, and Solano.
- 2. Targeted, school-based Y-PLAN MTC/ABAG workshops in four Bay Area counties: Sonoma, Santa Clara, Napa, and Marin.

In all nine counties, students worked together on their Y-PLAN Bay Area Horizon project with professionals to collect primary source data through neighborhood mapping, surveys, and interviews; conducted secondary source research of best practices; and analyzed their current conditions. They moved from analysis into generating solutions for our future, as they voiced their insights and recommendations for the project question. Work from all nine counties was showcased at the Y-PLAN Regional Policy Summit at UC Berkeley on April 25th, where more than 150 student representatives convened with nearly 100 adults to share their ideas for a more resilient and inclusive future.

During the 2018-19 school year, Y-PLAN student scholars from all nine Bay Area counties responded to the following **project question**:

Considering impacts to and from transportation, land use and housing, economic development, and resilience, how can Bay Area schools and communities thrive in the year 2050?

As students across the region considered this project question, the following four regional responses emerged across the four sectors:

• Transportation: Our schools and communities will thrive in 2050 if new transportation technologies (autonomous buses, shared scooters, etc.) foster greater independence for young people by providing them with safe, reliable, and equitable access to opportunities within their schools, cities, and the region. In the face of increasing displacement

⁶ The full report is available at: https://mtc.ca.gov/sites/default/files/Horizon_YPLAN%20Pilot%20Partnership_Final.pdf.

in many local neighborhoods where students live/have lived, K-12 students are increasingly commuting from across the region to attend their same/familiar schools. This increased distributed network of young people is likely only to increase in the coming decades with projected growth across the region.

- Housing and Land Use: Our schools and communities will thrive in 2050 if we build more affordable, safe, resilient housing for families and teachers located near schools, relevant amenities, and transit that prioritizes the needs of existing residents. As many students come from large families, they call for higher density housing and changing housing/land use policies so that new physical and social housing design innovations can meet the needs of larger and multi-generational families. Students also spoke of a desire for an equitable distribution of housing, emphasizing notions of "share your space" and questioning why small families and single people with the means to do so often seek large spaces they do not fully utilize, relegating larger low-income families to overcrowded conditions.
- Economic Development: Our schools and communities will thrive in 2050 if school districts and cities provide equitable access to economic opportunities through college and career readiness and integration of technology in the classroom, successfully preparing them for well-paying jobs now and in the future. Students seek to have more high-quality educational options that link students' everyday life and "real world" exposure and relationships, to school curriculum and pedagogical practices, in order to equitably prepare the workforce of the future.
- Resilience: Our schools and communities will thrive in 2050 if regional leaders take immediate and equitable climate action now to preserve our future and recognize students as essential actors and their schools as critical infrastructure in climate change policy. Young people and schools are often on the front lines of natural disasters and sea level rise around the Region and want to be part of future planning and engagement. They see themselves and their school facilities as untapped assets to climate change innovation for the future and seek to be part of the larger regional narrative -- seeing themselves as proactive and prevention focused -- rather than driven by crisis-to-crisis response.

Overall, through the Y-PLAN Bay Area MTC/ABAG Pilot Partnership analysis of the regional data collected from classrooms across the 9 counties, we found that students offered distinctive ideas and identified priorities and/or strategies for the year 2050 that aligned well with Horizon's guiding principles of making the Bay Area more **affordable**, **connected**, **diverse**, **healthy** and **vibrant**. From the beginning of the partnership, students around the region supported this vision of the Bay Area, as it gave them hope for a more inclusive and resilient region. Throughout the process, they grounded these principles within their lived experience while pulling from professional practice to develop tangible solutions for our future. With each proposal and policy recommendation, students grappled with potential challenges and opportunities that our future might present with a healthy sense of skepticism and optimism. While in this pilot year, there wasn't time or capacity to delve deeply into Horizon's three *What If/Futures* scenarios, this is an important area of opportunity to deepen students' analysis in the future.

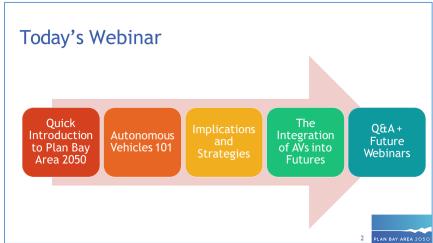
This pilot year demonstrated the power and possibility of over 300 young people across K-12 analyzing and planning for the future. If done right, this figure could be expanded to 3,000 or more if/when brought to the system building level by reaching out to school districts and local educational agencies.

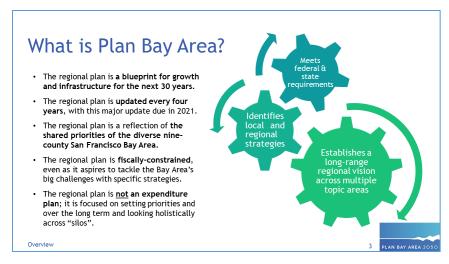
Appendix 2 | Plan Bay Area 2050 Engagement Materials

Prior to the Plan Engagement Materials

Webinar Presentation



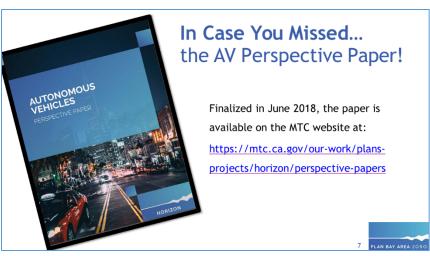


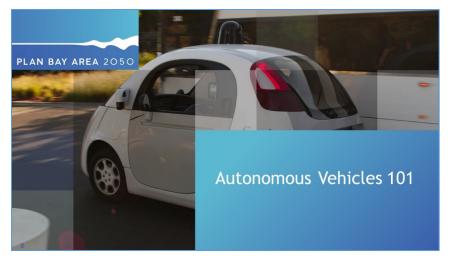












"Automated" versus "Connected"

The increasing ability to drive without human assistance. **AUTOMATED**

The increasing ability to share mobility or safety CONNECTED

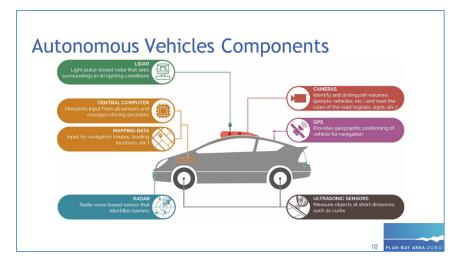
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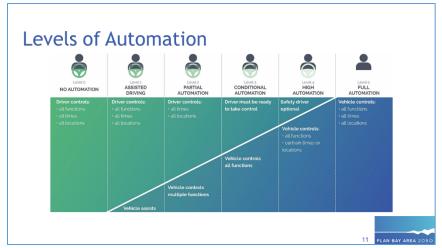
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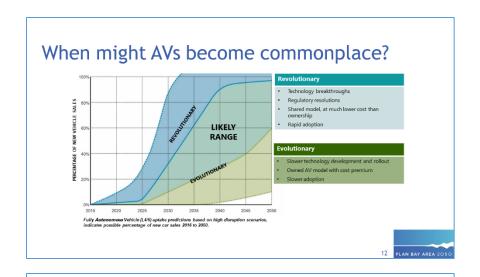
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vehicle to be connected.









The future is highly uncertain

TIMING 3 to 13 years until L5 AVs available for purchase

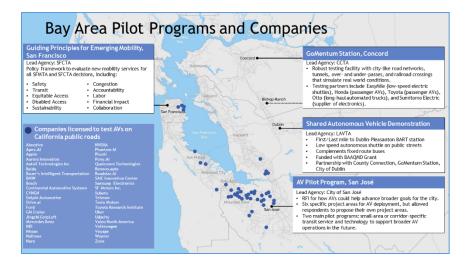
SAFETY +40% to +90% increase in safety

CAPACITY 0% to +45% increase in roadway capacity

DEMAND +5% to +40% increase in VMT

ENERGY/EMISSIONS -50% to + 100% change in GHGs

3 PLAN BAY AREA 2050





FINAL GUIDING PRINCIPLES

The San Francisco Bay Area Aspires To Be:



AFFORDABLE All Bay Area residents and workers have sufficient housing options they can afford - households are economically secure.



An expanded, well-functioning transportation system connects the Bay Area - fast, frequent and efficient intercity trips are complemented by a suite of local transportation options, connecting communities and creating a cohesive region.



The Bay Area is an inclusive region where people from all backgrounds, abilities, and ages can remain in place - with access to the region's assets and



HEALTHY

VIBRANT

The region's natural resources, open space, clean water and clean air are conserved - the region actively reduces its environmental footprint and protects residents from environmental impacts.

The Bay Area region is an innovation leader, creating quality job opportunities for all and ample fiscal resources for communities



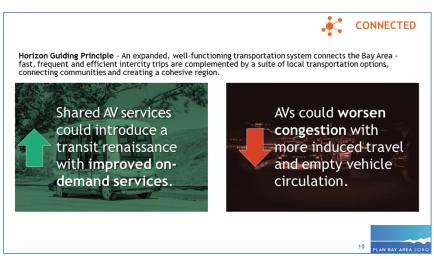


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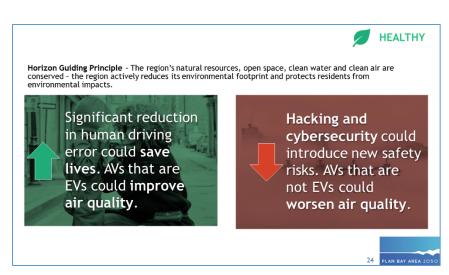




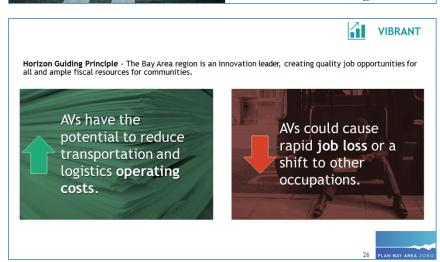








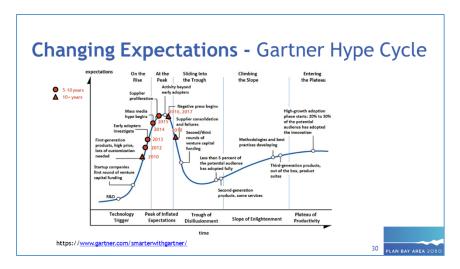


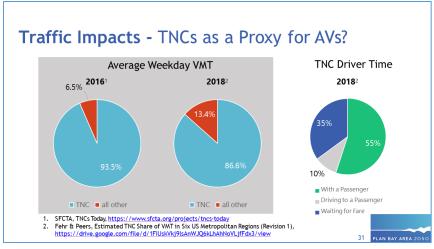


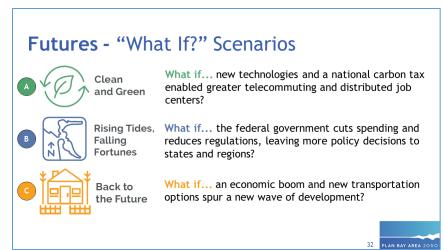


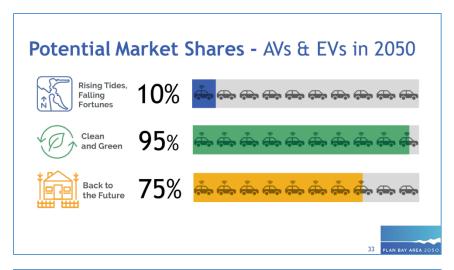


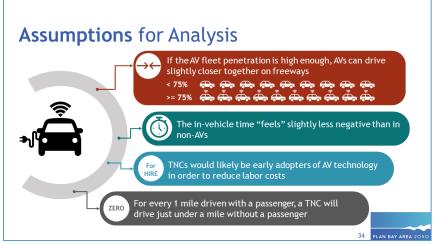


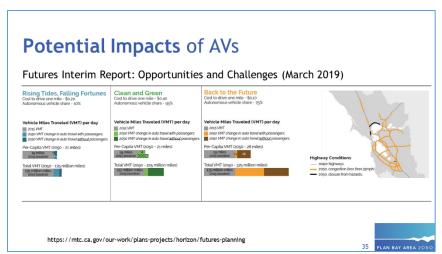














Futures Round 2 - Transportation Strategies



Improve Access, Speed, and Reliability of Transportation



Prioritize Active Modes



Price Transportation Services

Build a next-generation transit network for the 21st century.

PBA-6 Operate and Maintain the Existing System PBA-5* Build Carpool Lanes & Address Interchange Bottlenecks

PBA-4 Make Strategic Transit Modernization/Expansion Investments
C-4 Build a Next-Generation Bus Rapid Transit Network

Increase Capacity/Frequency by Modernizing Existing Rail

C-9** C-7** Extend the Regional Rail Network Build a New Transbay Rail Crossing

Make active modes safer and more accessible.

D-4 Invest in Free Short-Trip Service

NEW! Implement Vision Zero Speed Reduction Measures C-3 Build a Complete Micromobility Network

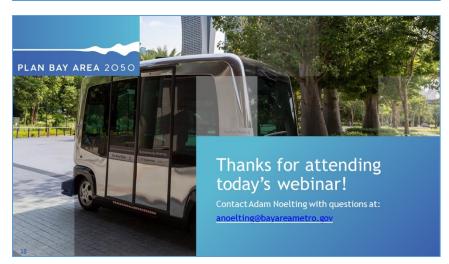
Price freeways to drive different mode choices and advance equitable outcomes.

C-1 Develop a Single Platform to Access & Pay for all Mobility C-6

Apply Time-of-Day Tolls on All Freeways

A-3** Provide Free Transit to Lower-Income Riders







Round 1 Engagement Materials

Pop-up Workshops — Tabletop Displays English, Spanish, Chinese, Vietnamese



of a report outlining what we heard, and our Commissioners and ABAG Board members will

be able to read every comment.







Pop-up Workshops — Display & Comment Boards English, Spanish, Chinese





Pop-up Workshops — Informational Materials

English, Spanish, Chinese, Vietnamese



















KÉ HOẠCH VŨNG VỊNH 2050 SẾ LÀM:

KE HUNGEN YUNG YINH 2050 SE LAMI.
- Kắc định các chính sách và đầu tư cần thiết để tiến tới một vùng lýnh có giá cả chải chẳng hơn, được kất nổi, đa dạng, lãnh mạnh và sối động hơn.

Xác định một can đường tiêm năng cho các khoản dâu lư trong lương lai, bao gồm việc báo vệ nước biên dâng cao và cơ sở hy tăng giao thông rất cần thiết.

KÊ HOẠCH VŨNC VỊNH 2050 SE KHÔNG LÀM:

- lài trợ cho bắt có dụ sin cơ số họ ting nào
hoặc dâm báo cho việc xây dựng của họ.

- lhay đổi quyền sử dụng cắt địa phương lhao
ling tiểu barp, các thình phố và quận sử
quyết định quyền sử dụng đất đặa phương.

CÁC GIẠI ĐOẠN CỦA TIÊN TRÌNH LẬP KẾ HOẠCH LÀ GÌ?







Là một phần trong quy trình phát triển tài l'ệu cho xế hoạch Vùng Vinn 2500, MTC và ASAG số tạo ra một kế hoạch Thuộc hiện ngắn hạn. Một sắc do tác công Môi mứng liên quan công số được cung cấp trước khi hoặt vi liện kế hoạn việu vị hưng. Việu họn mài khi mà đơi!

Round 2 Engagement Materials

Digital Workshops

Presentation Deck







Overview of Today's Event

Introduction – Plan Bay Area 2050 and its Draft Blueprint (15 minutes)

Presentation – Share findings from analysis of Draft Blueprint strategies, present local impacts and answer clarifying questions (45 minutes)

Poll – Seek input on strategy refinements for Plan Bay Area 2050's Final Blueprint (15 minutes)

Regional Initiatives – Provide overview of important regional programs (10 minutes)

QBA and Wrap-up (35 minutes)

Logistics for Today's Event

Everyone will be muted during the workshop. Questions and comments can be entered via the Q&A box only.

For the poll, we will be using PollEV:

Online: pollev.com/mtcabag302

Text: MTCABAG302 to 22333

Other ways to comment:

Email: info@planbayarea.org

Comment line: (415) 778-2292

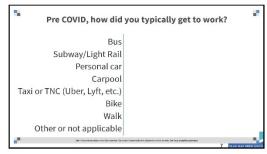
Profanity and culturally insensitive language will not be tolerated.

Icebreaker Poll

On your web browser, go to pollev.com/mtcabag302

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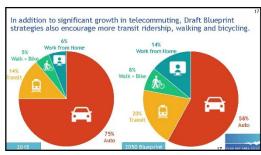


Key Highlights of Draft Blueprint Outcomes Lives Saved and Injuries Averted Strategies to reduce vehicle speeds and build protected bike/ped infrastructure save lives. >1,500 Greater Resilience to Hazards 100% 98% Seismic retrofits and sea level rise infrastructure protect thousands of homes from damage. Robust Economic Growth +65% Despite significant tax increases to pay for new strategies, Bay Area businesses continue to thrive.

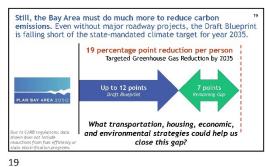
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The Draft Blueprint accommodates the needs of future residents by addressing historical underproduction of housing. +1.4 million

The Draft Blueprint strategies focus much more growth in the South Bay, closest to the region's largest job center. Jobs Growth: 2015 to 2050 +1.4 million new jobs Housing Growth: 2015 to 2050



And with climate change impacts worsening every year, the Draft Blueprint strategies protect nearly all communities through 2050. Plan Bay Area 2050: 2015 to 2050 89,000 housing units protected 6 89,000 units protected 166,000 10,000 jobs protected jobs still at risk 100,000 acres of marsh adaptation projects rail corridors protected at 2 feet of sea level rise









Please identify which of these potential strategies should be included in the Final Blueprint to make the Bay Area even more affordable (select as many as you'd like).

Is there anything else we should take into consideration to address the challenge of affordability?

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Please identify which of these potential strategies should be included in the Final Blueprint to alleviate traffic congestion and reduce overcrowding on transit in the Bay Area (select as many as you'd like).

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Is there anything else we should take into consideration to address the challenge of congestion and transit crowding?

Challenge #3: Displacement

Here's what we integrated into the Draft Blueprint:

Further Strengthen Renter Protections Beyond State Legislation

And yet...

The risk of displacement in most Bay Area communities continues to grow over time.

Here's the challenge:

How can we further ensure that low-income residents and communities of color are not ultimately displaced to areas with limited access to opportunity?

We need your feedback on new or expanded strategies!

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Please identify which of these potential strategies should be included in the Final Blueprint to address displacement in the Bay Area (select as many as you'd like).

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Is there anything else we should take into consideration to address displacement in the Bay Area?

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Please identify which of these potential strategies should be included in the Final Blueprint to reduce climate emissions in the Bay Area (select as many as you'd like).

Expand electric vehicle and charging infrastructure subsidies, especially for lower-income households.

Postpone highway widening projects until a greater share of whickes are electric.

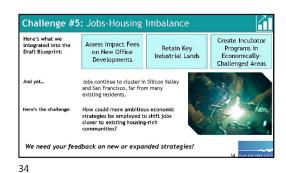
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Require employers to implement mandatory work from home policies z or 3 days per week.

None of the above

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Is there anything else we should take into consideration to address climate emissions in the Bay Area?



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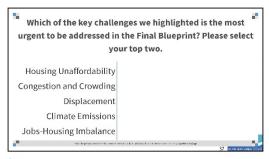
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Increase fees that discourage development of new office parks in jobs-rich, sub-oriented communities. Expand business includator programs to create new small businesses in housing rich communities. Problem to confluction of the buildings in communities that have many more jobs than homes. Prodde fax subdidies for employers to refocate.

Is there anything else we should take into consideration to address jobs-housing imbalance in the Bay Area?

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Other Regional Initiatives: Transportation Improvement Program

4-year clearinghouse of transportation projects and funding information

Focuses on projects funded by federal monies, requiring federal approval, or subject to air quality requirements

Designed to make progress towards achieving federal performance targets for safety, infrastructure condition, and system performance

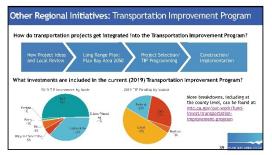
Reflects local, regional, state and federal funding priorities and decisions

Contributes to near-term implementation of Plan Bay Area

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Other Regional Initiatives: Regional Housing Needs Allocation

What is RHNA?

Since 1969, State law requires that all jurisdictions must plan to meet the housing needs of everyone in the community.

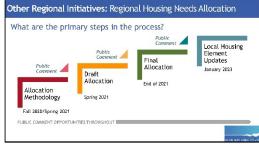
HCD identifies total number of units, across all income groups, for which the region must plan for the eight-year RHNA period (2023 to 2031).

ABAG collaborates with local governments and stakeholders to develop a formula to assign each community a share of the Bay Area's housing need.

Each local government must update Housing Element of General Plan and zoning to show how it plans to accommodate its share of the regional need.

Total Bay Area 1999-2006 2007-2014 2015-2013 2023-2011 By RHNA Cycle 230,743 214,500 187,994 441,176

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DISTRICT

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- 2017 Clean Air Plan

- Air District Grants

- Clean Vehicle Rebates
- Clean Cars for All

- 6-month effort to develop and adopt a regional climate adaptation strategy

- Includes studying impacts and proposing strategies to protect the natural and built environment





What's Next: Upcoming Milestones for Plan Bay Area 2050 By Fall 2021: Approval of Plan Bay Area 2050 Summer 2020 Fall 2020 End of 2020



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We all want a more affordable, connected, diverse, healthy and vibrant Bay Area!

Join the Metropolitan Transportation Commission and the Association of Bay Area Covernments in developing Plan Bay Area 2050, a 30-year plan to chart the future course of our nine-county region.

Residents from around the region helped identify 25 bold strategies that make the Bay Area a better place to live, work and play for you, your children and grandchildren. Our initial

analyses show that those 25 bold strategies make meaningful progress on reducing the cost of housing in the Bay Area, protecting communities from sea level rise and reducing fatalities on our region's roadways.

But challenges remain! Can you help us identify how to make Plan Bay Area's Draft Blueprint even better? Which challenges should we tackle first? Which strategies would you support?

Give us your thoughts on strategies to make the nine-county regio an even better place to live, work and play for future generations!

To learn more about Plan Bay Area 2050 or the strategies contained in the Draft Blueprint, visit planbayarea.org.

visit plannbayerise.vic). To request translations or other assistance, call (4)(5) 778-6757. We request at least three working days' notice to provide reasonable accommodations. For IDD or hearing impaired, please call 771, 1-800-755-2929 (TTY), or 1-800-755-292 (violey) and sak to be relayed to 445-776-8700.

iDenos su opinión sobre las estrategias para hacer de la región un lugar aún mejor para vivir, trabajar y jugar para las futuras generaciones!

Para más informes sobre Plan Bay Area 2050 o las estrategias incluidas en el Borrador del Proyecto, visite planbayarea.org.

Para solicitar traducción u otra asistencia, llame al (415) 778-6757 con tres días de anticipación para poder proporcionar con la mejor asistencia posible. Para TDD o hipoacúsicos, llame al 711,1-800-735-2929 (TTY), o 1-800-735-2922 (Voz) y pida que lo conectena i (415) 778-6700.

請對我們的策略提出您的意見。使九縣區域成為子孫後代更好的生活、 工作和娛樂場所!

欲了解更多有關 2050 灣區規劃或監圖草案中的策略信息,請上網站 planbayarea.org。

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CUIDING PRINCIPLES PAFFORDABLE

Funding Gaps for Affordable Housing. while homes and apartments would be more affordable than today, how do we further increase the amount of permanently affordable housing?

Traffic Congestion
While reduced drive times are projected on freeways
with all-lane tolling, what more can be done to
alleviate traffic congestion on other roadways and
transit overcrowding on busy bus and rail lines?

Displacement.
While rent control helps to delay displacement of low-income residents and communities of color, how can we further ensure they are not displaced to areas with limited access to opportunity?

Climate Emissions. What can we do to further reduce emissions to reach critical climate goals?

Jobs-Housing Imbalance.
While robust housing strategies help to bring homes closer to major job centers, could more ambitious strategies shift jobs closer to existing housing-rich communities?

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU BY AUGUST 10

While we can't meet face-to-face, make your voice heard in the following ways.

PARTICIPATE IN A TELEPHONE TOWN HALL

Call 877-229-8493 and enter the access code 119791 on the dates and times shown below to learn more and provide your comments:

- · Friday, July 24, 11:30 am 1:30 pm In Mandarin
- · Saturday, July 25, 10 am 12 pm In English
- · Saturday, July 25, 2 4 pm in Cantonese
- · Saturday, August 1, 2 4 pm In Spanish
- · Thursday, August 6, 4 6 pm In English



¡Todos queremos un Área de la Bahía más asequible, conectada, diversa, saludable y dinámica!

y dinámica! Ayude a la Comisión Metropolitana del Transporte y a la Asociación de Gobiernos del Área de la Bahía a desarrollar el Plan Bay Area 2050, un plan de 30 años que traza el curso futuro de nuestra región.

Los residentes de la región ayudaron a identificar 25 estrategias audaces para hacer del Área de la Bahía

La faita de fondos para la vivienda asequible. Aunque las casas y departamentos serán más asequibles que hoy en día, zcómo podemos aumentar más la cantidad de vivienda asequible disponible?

El congestionamiento. Aunque se proyecta que el tiempo de viaje se reduc las carreteras de peaje, ¿qué mas podemos hacer pa reduct el congestionamiento en dros caminos y la agiomeración en los autobuses y trenes? El desplazamiento.

Aunque el control de las rentas ayuda a demorar el desplazamiento de los residentes de bajos recursos y las comunidades de color, cómo podemos mejor asegurar que estas comunidades no sean desplazadas a áreas con

poco acceso a las oportunidades? Emisiones climáticas. ¿Qué podemos hacer para reducir aún más las emisiones y alcanzar nuestras metas climáticas? lugar mejor para vivir. trabajar y jugar para usted. sus hijos y nietos. Nuestro primer análisis indica que esas 25 estrategias avanzan nuestras metas de reducir el costo de la vivienda, proteger nuestras comunidades del aumento del nivel del mar y reducir las muertes en los caminos del Área de la Bahía.

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El deseguilibrio de la vivienda y el empleo

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Aunque las estrategias audaces de vivienda syudan a
acercar la vivienda a los centros de empleo más grano
gestrategias más ambiciosas podrían mover los emple
aún más cerca a comunidades ricas en vivienda?

Queremos saber su opinión antes del 10 de agosto: Aunque no podemos reunimos en persona, puede participar de las siguientes formas.

Participe en una reunión de ayuntamiento por teléfono Llame al 877-229-8493 e ingrese el código de acceso 18791 durante uno de los horarios indicados abajo para participar y darnos su opinión:

- · Sábado, 25 de julio, 10 am 12 pm en inglés
- Sábado, 1º de agosto, 2 4 pm en español
- Jueves, 6 de agosto, 4 6 pm en inglés

我們都希望有一個更加負擔得起、連接、多 樣化、健康和充滿活力的灣區!

歡迎與大都會交通委員會和灣區政府協會一起製定2050 灣區規劃,這是一個為期 30 年的計劃,用以規劃我們九縣 地區的未來發展方向。

來自該地區各地的居民幫助確定了 25 個大膽的策略, 使灣

為可負擔房屋提供資金缺口。

雖然房屋和公寓將比今天更便宜,但我們如何進一步增加永 久性可負擔房屋的數量?

交通繁忙和人滿為患。

雖然預計所有車道收賣高速公路的行車時間會減少,但還 有哪些措施可以緩解其他道路的交通堵塞以及繁忙的公交 車和鐵軌線的交通擁擠呢?

搬遷。

氣候排放。

我們如何做才能進一步減少排放以達到重要的氣候目標?

就業-住房失衡。

區成為您及子孫後代生活、工作和娛樂的更好場所。我們的 初步分析表明,這 25 填大膽的萊略在降低灣區生房成本、 候離社區受受集中面 上升的影響和減少地區公路上的死亡 人數方面取得了重大進步。

但是挑戰依然存在! 您能幫助我們確定如何使灣區規劃的 藍圖草案更好嗎? 我們應該首先應對哪些挑戰? 您會支持 哪些策略?

我們希望在8月10日之前聽到您的意見!

雖然我們無法面對面交流,但可以通過以下方式提出您的意見。

參加市政腦電話會議

請致電877-229-8493, 並在下面顯示的日期和時間輸入 接入碼119791,以了解更多信息並提出您的意見:

- · 7月24日, 星期五, 上午11:30至下午1:30 普通話
- 7月25日, 星期六, 上午10:00至中午12:00 英語
- · 7月25日, 星期六, 下午2:00至下午4:00 廣東話 • 8月6日, 星期四, 下午4:00至下午6:00 英語



Hấy tham gia với Ủy ban Giao thông Vận tải Đô thị và Hiệp hội các Chính quyền Vùng Vinh trong việc phát triền Kế hoạch Vùng Vinh năm 2050, một kế hoạch 30 năm để lập lộ tỉnh tương lai của chín quận trong khu vực của chúng ta.

voccua chúng ta đều muốn có một Vùng Vịnh có giá cả phải chăng, được kết nối, đa dạng, lành mạnh và năng động!

mạnh và nang động!

Cư dân từ khậs khu vực đã giúp xác định 25 chiến lược tảo bạo để làm cho Vùng Vinh trở thành một nơi tối hợn để sống, lâm việc và giải trí cho bạn con cải và châu của bạn. Câc phân tích ban đầu của chúng tối cho thậy 25 chiến lược tảo bạo này tạo ra tiến bộ cổ y nghĩa. Nhưng văn cón nhiều thứ thách! Bạn có thể giúp chúng tối xác định cách làm cho kết hoạch Chi tiết Dự thảo Vùng Vịnh được tốt hơn hay không?

Hãy tham gia vào một trong những hội thảo trên mạng của chúng tôi.

Hảy truy cập vào **planbayarea.org/blueprint-comments** Ban có cản một thông dịch viện hoặc bất cứ trợ giúp nàc khác để tham gia hay không? Xin hảy gọi (**413) 778-6757.** Chúng tối cần được thông báo trước ít nhất ba ngây làm việc để thu xếp hợp lý.

Để tim hiểu thêm về Kế hoạch Vùng Vịnh năm 2050 hoặc các chiến lược có trong Dự tháo Kế hoạch chi t xin hấy truy cập vào **planbayarea.org**.



Samahan ang Metropolitan Transportation Commission at ang Association of Bay Area Governments sa pagbuo ng Plan Bay Area 2050, ang 50-taon na plano upang balangkasin ang hinaharap na landas ng siyam na county na rehiyon.

Nais nating lahat ang isang mas abot-kaya, konektado, magkakaiba, malusog at masiglang

Bay Area!
Ang mga residente mula sa buong paligid ng rehiyon ay tumulong tumukoy ng 25 istratehiyang mapagkakatiwalaan na gagawin ang Bay Area na isang mas mainam na lugar ng tirahan, trabaho at palaruan pare sa inpo, inyong mga anak at mga apo. Ang aming mga paunang pagsusuni ay negpaspamalas na itong 25 mga palaruan pagsusuni ay nagpata mga mga mga bamoni Masaari ba ninyo kaming tulungang mga kamoni Masaari ba ninyo kaming tulungang matukoy kung paano magagawa pang mas mahusay ang Draft Blueprint ng Plan Bay Area?

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Kailangan ba ninyo ng interpreter o anumang iba pang-tulong pare makalahok? Tumewag lamang sa (415) 778-6757. Hinhiling namin ang pagbibigay ng paunawa na hindi bababa sa tatlong araw upang sapat na mapagbigyan.

Para malaman ang higit pa tungkol sa Plan Bay Area 2050 o sa nilalaman na mga istratehiya sa Draft Blueprint, bumisita sa **planbayarea.org**.







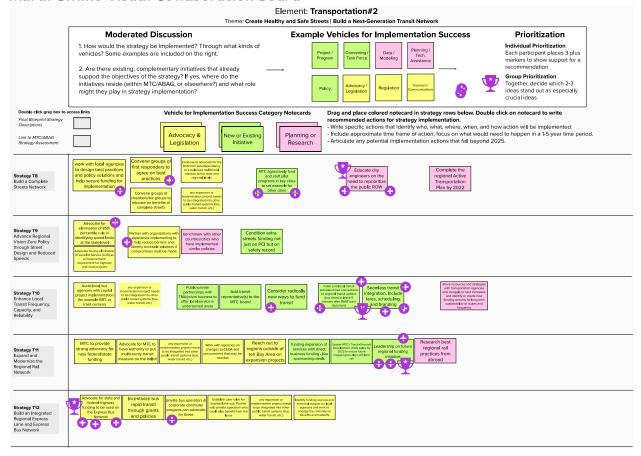




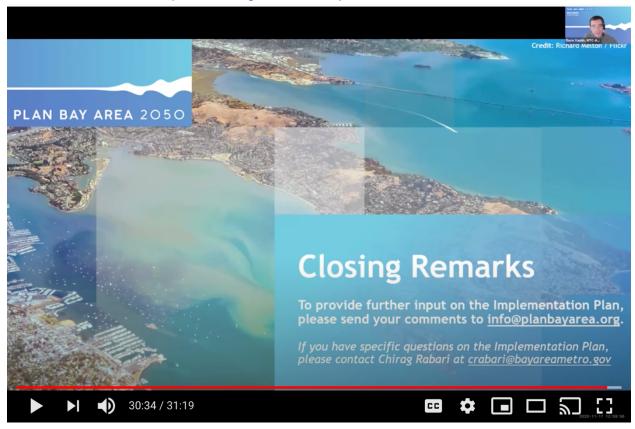


Technical Workshops

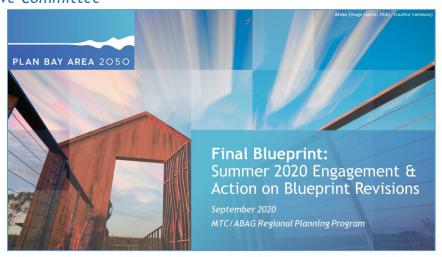
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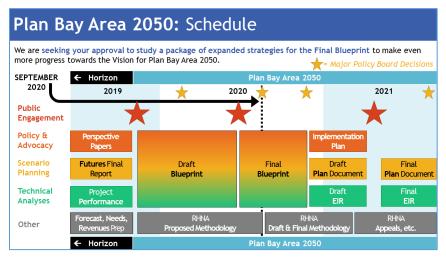


Online Technical Workshop on Housing and Economy



September 2020 Presentation to the Joint MTC Planning Committee with the ABAG Administrative Committee

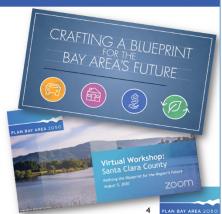






Summer 2020 Engagement: Listening & Learning

- Second of three rounds of public engagement during the two-year Plan update process
- Coronavirus pandemic required a pivot to digital/remote-only engagement
- Opportunity to innovate and engage a broader audience
- Implemented a comprehensive suite of digital and non-digital approaches









Summer 2020 Engagement: Participation

7,600+

total no. of *participants* in all activities

- Online survey
- · Statistically-valid poll
- · Virtual meetings

3,400+

total no. of comments received

- Online survey
- · Virtual meetings
- · Letters and e-mails

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Final Blueprint: Tackling the "Big 5" Challenges

What are the top two most important challenges from the Draft Blueprint to tackle in the Final Blueprint?



#1 priority









Greenhouse Gas Emissions Congestion & Transit Crowding Jobs-Housing Imbalance

Displacement Risk

#2 priority #3 priority

ty #4 priority

#5 priority

Challenge #1: Insufficient Affordable Housing



While the Draft Blueprint quintuples the amount of permanentlyaffordable housing in the Bay Area, hundreds of thousands of residents still lack access to such housing.

Challenge

How can new or expanded strategies help create more permanently-affordable housing, especially in areas with wellresourced schools, amenities and transportation options?

Public Response via Online Survey, Workshops, and Town Halls

Invest in constructing more affordable housing units

Expand capacity for new housing in communities with well-resourced schools and good access to jobs

Accelerate redevelopment of malls and office parks, with significant shares of affordable housing

Advance innovative approaches to reducing housing construction and financing cost

Other 8%



Challenge #1: Insufficient Affordable Housing



"Work to change zoning and income tax laws to have more equitable outcomes—this issue is part of the legacy of redlining; change the laws that enable this problem."

"Lift zoning restrictions and construction regulations that slow development. You don't need to pay for it — just lower the barrier to entry and the market will jump in."

"Increase funding for preservation of existing affordable housing."

"Increase the minimum wage or introduce a living wage so that more people can afford living in the Bay Area."

"Create a grant or funding program for communities to invest in community land trusts to ensure that permanently affordable housing is owned by the residents themselves."















Challenge #1: Insufficient Affordable Housing



What revisions are proposed for the Final Blueprint to better tackle this challenge?

- Expand new revenues by \$110 billion to support more affordable housing production, including for unhoused people

 Revised Strategy: "Build Adequate Affordable Housing to Ensure Homes for All"
- Expand new revenues by \$120 billion to expand preservation strategy beyond existing deed-restricted units
 - Revised Strategy: "Preserve Existing Affordable Housing"
- Address the income side of the unaffordability equation through a \$500 per month universal basic income
 - Removed Strategy: "Expand Childcare Support for Low-Income Families"
 - Jumpstart development on public and community-owned land to boost construction of 100% affordable developments
 - New Strategy: "Accelerate Reuse of Public and Community-Owned Land"

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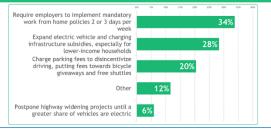
Challenge #2: Greenhouse Gas Emissions

Finding from Draft Blueprint While outperforming Plan Bay Area 2040 by eight percentage points, the Draft Blueprint only gets us halfway to our statutory climate target.

Challenge

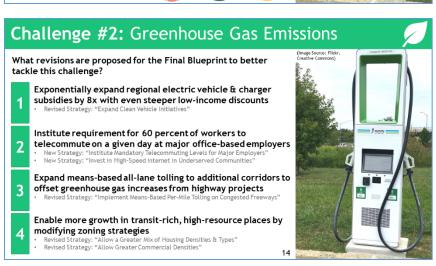
How do we further reduce transportation-related greenhouse gas emissions to reach critical climate goals?

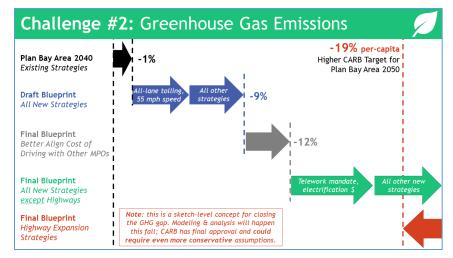
Public Response via Online Survey, Workshops, and Town Halls





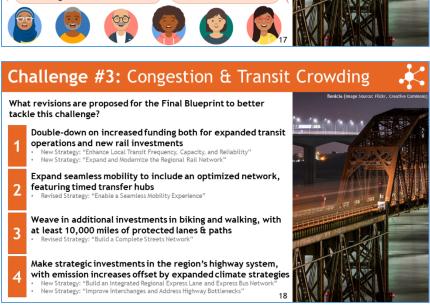
Challenge #2: Greenhouse Gas Emissions "Electrify everything. Make "Office-based companies should sure low-income families require employees to work from have access to electric home a specified amount of time vehicles. All self-driving cars per week. Requiring 25-30% of office workers to work from home must be electric." each day would greatly improve livability, air quality, congestion of the region." "Increase broadband internet accessibility to help enable telecommuting." "Increase density to make "Implement tolling, road tax or mass transit more effective congestion charge, and use the and efficient, which funds to build transit and lowers the vehicle pedestrian-friendly streets; not just for commuting, but for miles that cause greenhouse gases." everyday life."

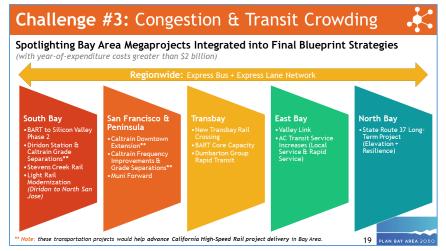




Finding from Draft Blueprint Challenge All-lane tolling on select corridors and a New Transbay Rail Crossing address congestion & crowding on key corridors — but many suburban corridors continue to see challenges. Challenge How can new or expanded strategies better address traffic congestion and transit overcrowding? Public Response via Online Survey, Workshops, and Town Halls Redesign transit to offer seamless transfers and focus service on high-frequency routes Extend regional rail services to new communities and increase the frequency of service linest more in world-class bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure to reduce use of auto for local trips Build more Express Lanes with robust express bus services Other Widen highways and expand interchanges to yield short-term congestion relief Implement all-lane tolling on high-traffic freeways with transit atteratives 5%







Challenge #4: Jobs-Housing Imbalance Finding from Draft Blueprint Challenge How could more ambitious economic strategies be employed to shift jobs closer to existing housing-rich communities? Public Response via Online Survey, Workshops, and Town Halls Provide tax subsidies for employers to relocate middle-wage jobs closer to create new small businesses in housing-rich communities Prohibit more construction of office buildings in communities that have many more jobs than homes Increase fees that discourage development of new office parks in jobs-rich, auto-oriented communities Other Other Other



Challenge #4: Jobs-Housing Imbalance

What revisions are proposed for the Final Blueprint to better tackle this challenge?

Shift to an incentive-based approach to encourage jobs in housing-rich places, with funding from increased taxes

Removed Strategies: "Assess impact Fees on New Office Developments"

New Strategy: "Provide Incentives to Employers to Shift Jobs to Housing-Rich Areas."

Add job training programs in areas with limited access to opportunity to address racial and economic inequities

Fund strategic infrastructure investments in Priority
Production Areas to further stimulate job growth

Revised Strategy: "Retain and Invest in Key Industrial Lands"



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Challenge #5: Displacement Risk



from Draft
Blueprint

Despite expanded renter protections and more affordable housing, the risk of displacement in most Bay Area communities continues to grow over time.

Challenge

How can new or expanded strategies help further ensure that low-income residents and communities of color are not ultimately displaced to areas with limited access to opportunity?

Public Response via Online Survey, Workshops, and Town Halls



Challenge #5: Displacement Risk



"Make it easier for cities to set aside new affordable housing for those who are being displaced."

"Work to change zoning and income tax laws to have more equitable outcomes — this issue is part of the legacy of redlining; change the laws that enable this problem."

"'Inclusionary Section 8' instead of traditional inclusionary housing, require that a percentage of units accept Section 8 vouchers. Counties could cover gaps in rent."

"Create a government-backed investment program that allows people in these communities to buy their homes, thus removing the ability of developers or gentrifiers to displace them."

"Provide rent support and provide universal basic income to residents earning below a living wage threshold."















Challenge #5: Displacement Risk



What revisions are proposed for the Final Blueprint to better tackle this challenge?

Tackle the legacy of racial exclusion through strategic programs to support pathways to economic security ew Strategy: "Provide Targeted Mortgage, Rental, Small Business Assist ew Strategy: "Accelerate Reuse of Public and Community-Owned Land"

Enable more households to remain in place through expanded focus on preserving affordable units

Empower communities to overcome decades of systematic disinvestment by funding locally-prioritized infrastructure

Integrate legal aid and other supportive actions to further expand upon renter protections in Draft Blueprint



Summer 2020 Engagement: Poll vs. Engagement

Similarities:

- Housing is the top concern, particularly affordable housing
- Strong support for seamless transit and Complete Streets; more limited support for all-lane tolling
- Support for EV incentives and business incubators

Differences:

- Greater support for rebuilding interchanges in polling results compared to other engagement
- Greater support for expanded job training programs in polling results compared to other engagement



Final Blueprint: 11 Themes and 35 Bold Strategies



Maintain and Optimize the **Existing System**



Create Healthy and Safe Streets



Build a Next-Generation Transit Network



Protect and Preserve Affordable Housing



Spur Housing Production at All **Income Levels**



Create Inclusive Communities

Final Blueprint Strategies (Inputs to Modeling Process)



Improve Economic Mobility



Shift the Location of Jobs



Reduce Risks from Hazards



Expand Access to Parks and Open Space



Reduce Climate Emissions

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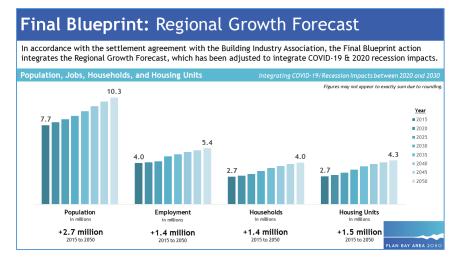


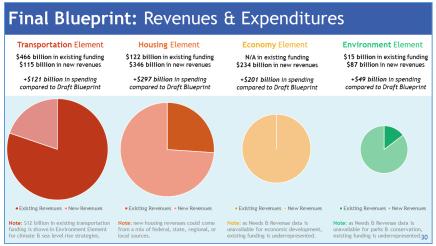


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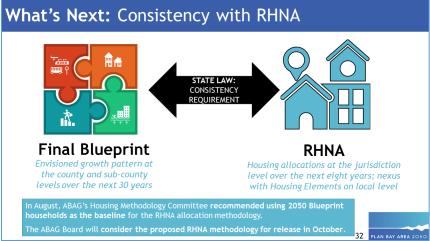
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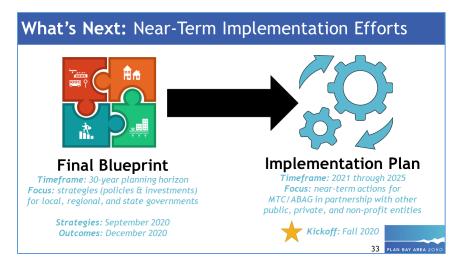
Final Blueprint: Updates to Growth Geographies Growth Geographies would remain largely unchanged from the Draft Blueprint, with minor updates related to PDAs approved in July 2020. Areas outside **Priority Development** Urban Growth Areas (PDAs) Boundaries (including PCAs) **Priority Production** Unmitigated High Hazard Areas (PPAs) Transit-Rich Areas* (TRAs): Frequent Regional Rail TRAs*: PDAs All Other ■ PPAs **High-Resource** TRAs Areas* (HRAs) HRAs * Applies to all jurisdictions except those that have already nominated more than 50% of PDA-eligible are













Appendix 3 | Digital Promotion Report

Summary Report: Horizon and Plan Bay Area 2050 Digital Promotions (2018-2020)

March 2021 Khristina Wenzinger & Meg Avedikian



Campaign Summary

Overview

To increase awareness about the Horizon initiative, drive enewsletter sign-ups and promote the Transformative Transportation Projects competition, the LPA social team, with consultant support, created a series of standalone tweets that were boosted.

Audience

Geographic: San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose CA, US

Goal

- Link clicks
- Followers
- Post engagements

of Ads 12

Platforms

• Twitter

Timing

Jun. 11-Aug. 11. 2018







Horizon Guiding Principles and Call for Transformative Projects









Results

Outcome

Good performance, with a good click-through and engagement rates

$\label{thm:link:clicks} \mbox{Twitter: link clicks, followers and engagement}$

| Impressions The number of times a post shows up in a social newsfeed. | Follows The number of people who started following MTC account. | Link Clicks The number of clicks on links within the ad that led to advertiser-specified destinations. | Click-through Rate The rate at which people click through to the next state. | Post Engagements Any action a person takes with our ad. | Engagement Rate Number of post engagements divided by total impressions. |
|---|---|--|--|---|--|
| 189,869 | 261 | 649 | 5.70% | 175 | 1.34% |

Data summary of the entire campaign, consisting of 12 posts.

Horizon: Round 2

Campaign Summary

Overview

To publicize Horizon workshops, the LPA social team chose to promote each workshop as its own Facebook event. We chose an audience that would be most likely to attend the events, so our paid campaign would be most effective.

Audience

Bay Area Advocates & Enthusiasts — people who either actively participate in or are interested in transportation policy. These people are forward-thinking and look for environmental, housing and transportation solutions.

Goal

- Event responses
- Link clicks

of Ads 8

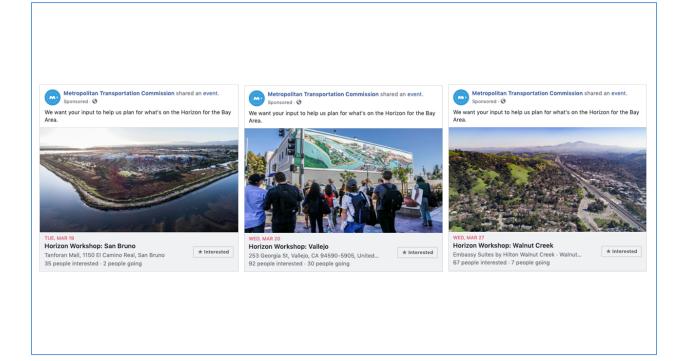
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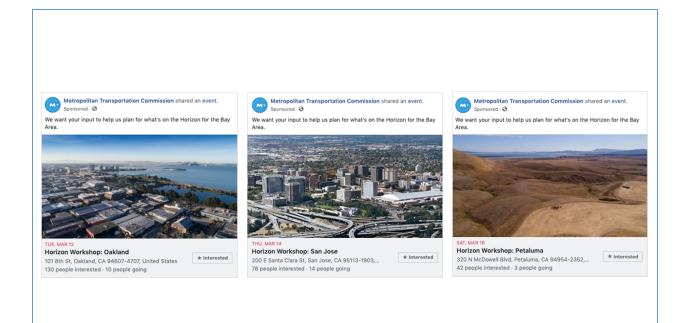
Platforms

- Facebook
- Twitter
- Instagram

Timing

Mar. 1-27, 2019







Outcome

Good performance, with good click-through rates, despite weak performance on IG and TW*

Facebook, Instagram and Twitter

| Impressions The number of times a post shows up in a social newsfeed | Unique Link Clicks The number of people who clicked a link | Click-through Rate The rate at which people click through to the next state. | Post Engagements Any action a person takes with our ad. |
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| 106,860 | 447 | 2.4% | 891 |

Data summary of the entire campaign, consisting of 8 posts.

*Since TW and IG were added last minute, we only had one piece of creative and a limited time to run the ads. If we had run the ads from the beginning, they would have been more successful.

Art on the Horizon

Campaign Summary

Overview

To publicize the Art on the Horizon contest and drive submissions, the LPA social team chose to promote the contest on Facebook and Instagram.

Rounds 1-3 promoted the contest. Rounds 4-5 announced the winners.

Audiences

- Bay Area residents (13-23): FB/IG
- · Art teachers: FB only
- Bay Area parents (35+): FB only

Goal

- Link clicks
- Post engagements

of Ads 46

Platforms

- Facebook
- Instagram

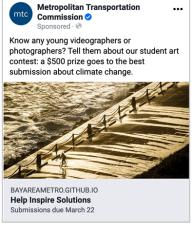
Timing

Round 1: Feb. 7-26, 2019 Round 2: Feb. 28 - Mar. 14,

2019

Round 3: Mar. 15-29, 2019 Round 4: May 6-9, 2019 Round 5: May 9-11, 2019









Outcome

Weak performance, with a low click-through rate

Facebook and Instagram (Rounds 1-3): website clicks

| Impressions The number of times a post shows up in a social newsfeed. | Reach The number of people who saw your ads at least once. | Link Clicks The number of clicks on links within the ad that led to advertiser-specified destinations. | Click-through Rate The rate at which people click- through to the next state. |
|---|--|--|---|
| 1,546,154 | 282,088 | 5,914 | 0.38% |

Data summary of the entire campaign, consisting of 40 posts.

Outcome

Strong performance, with a high engagement rate

Facebook (Rounds 4-5): post engagements

| Impressions The number of times a post shows up in a social newsfeed. | Reach The number of people who saw your ads at least once. | Post Engagements Any action a person takes with our ad. | Engagement Rate Number of post engagements divided by total impressions. |
|---|--|---|--|
| 40,578 | 25,838 | 8,004 | 19.7% |

 ${\sf Data\ summary\ of\ the\ entire\ campaign, consisting\ of\ 6\ posts.}$

Horizon: Web Tool

Campaign Summary

Overview

We asked the public to explore the three different Horizon Futures on the Vital Signs website. The LPA social team chose an audience that would be most likely interested in this topic.

Audience

Bay Area Advocates & Enthusiasts — people who either actively participate in or are interested in transportation policy. These people are forward-thinking and look for environmental, housing and transportation solutions.

Goal

• Link clicks

of Ads 8

Platforms

- Facebook
- Twitter

Timing

Apr. 1-21, 2019



Imagine a future where the sea level has risen by 3 feet and thousands of homes and roads are destroyed by flooding.



VITALSIGNS.MTC.CA.GOV The Bay Area in 2050 Explore what might happen

LEARN MORE



How would life in the Bay Area change if the cost of driving dramatically increased and new technologies enabled greater telecommuting?



VITALSIGNS.MTC.CA.GOV The Bay Area in 2050 Explore possible futures

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How might life in the Bay Area be if housing production boomed and 75% of cars are selfdriving in 2050?



VITALSIGNS MTC CA GOV The future Bay Area Explore our region in 2050

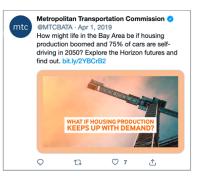
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Outcome

Good performance, with a good click-through rate

Facebook and Twitter

| Impressions The number of times a post shows up in a social newsfeed. | Reach The number of people who saw your ads at least once. | Link Clicks The number of clicks on links within the ad that led to advertiser-specified destinations. | Click-through Rate The rate at which people click-through to the next state. |
|---|--|--|--|
| 114,722 | 47,610 | 3,504 | 3.1% |

Data summary of the entire campaign, consisting of 8 posts.

Plan Bay Area 2050: Round 1

Events

Campaign Summary

Overview

To publicize Plan Bay Area 2050 pop-up workshops that were held at farmer's markets and other public spaces around the Bay Area, the LPA social team chose to promote each event as its own Facebook event.

Audience

Bay Area Advocates & Enthusiasts — people who either actively participate in or are interested in transportation policy. These people are forward-thinking and look for environmental, housing and transportation solutions.

Goal

• Event responses

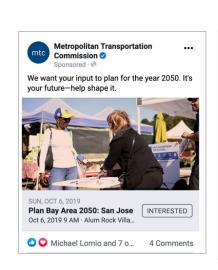
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Platforms

Facebook

Timing

Sep. 27-Oct. 30, 2019







Facebook

| Impressions The number of times a post shows up in a social newsfeed. | Reach The number of people who saw your ads at least once. | Event Responses The number of people who responded Interested or Going to your Facebook event, attributed to your ads. |
|---|--|--|
| 105,531 | 41,880 | 337 |

 ${\tt Data\ summary\ of\ the\ entire\ campaign, consisting\ of\ posts.}$

Mayor of Bayville

Campaign Summary

Overview

The LPA social team, with consultant support, drove engagement at scale with the Mayor of Bayville game, gaining valuable feedback about Bay Area residents' priorities.

Audiences

- Housing Interests
- Transit Enthusiasts
- Gen Z/Millennial Audience
- Santa Clara Co. Gen Z/Millennials
- Bay Area Commuters
- Video Completions Lookalike

Goal

• Link clicks

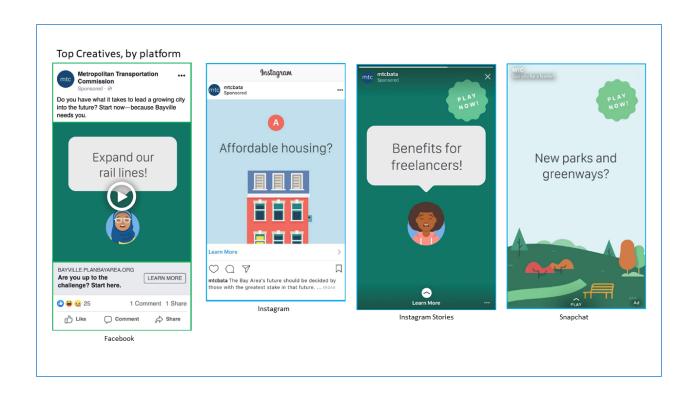
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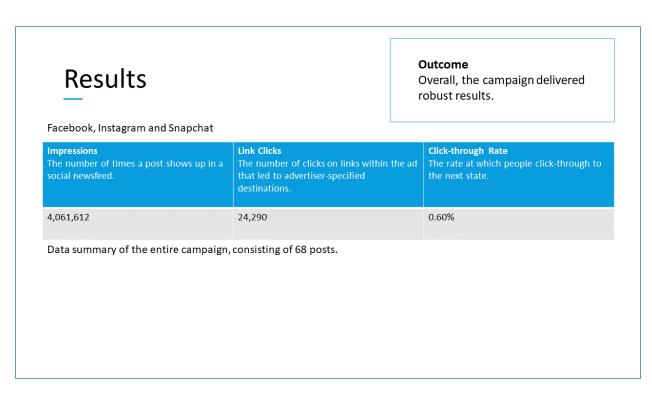
Platforms

- Facebook
- Instagram
- Snapchat

Timing

Nov. 18-Dec. 16, 2019





General Awareness

Campaign Summary

Overview

The LPA social team, with consultant support, built awareness of Plan Bay Area 2050 with a focus on MTC's commitment to elevating resident's voices as a core element in the planning process.

Audiences

- Housing Interests
- Transit Enthusiasts
- Bay Area Commuters
- 3% Engagement Lookalike
- Video Views Targeted

Goal

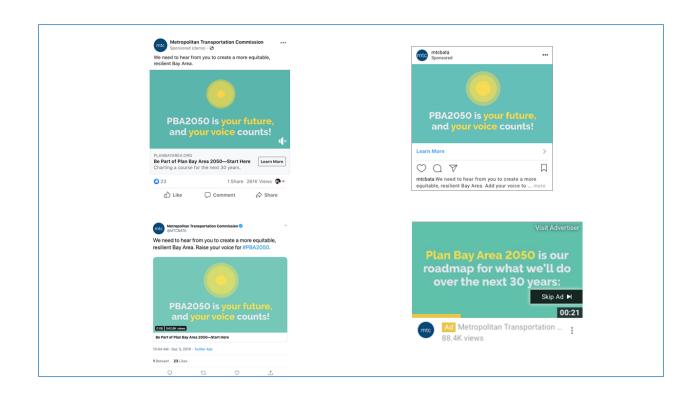
- Link clicks
- Thru Play

Platforms

- YouTube
- Facebook
- Instagram
- Twitter
- Spotify

Timing

Dec. 4, 2019- Jan. 31, 2020



Outcome

We saw extremely robust results, with a strong video completion rate.

All platforms

| Impressions The number of times a post shows up in a social newsfeed. | Video Views (3 Seconds) The number of times your video played for at least 3 seconds, or for nearly its total length if it's shorter than 3 seconds. | Video Completions The number of times your video was played at 100% of its length, including plays that skipped to this point. | Video Completion Rate The rate at which people watch the entire video. |
|---|--|--|--|
| 3,761,864 | 650,358 | 171,350 | 26.35% |

Data summary of the entire campaign.

Plan Bay Area 2050: Round 2

Campaign Summary

Overview

The LPA social team, with consultant support, gathered Bay Area residents' feedback on Plan Bay Area 2050 strategies via a Typeform survey and drove traffic to virtual workshops.

Audiences

- Commuters
- Transit Advocates/Enthusiasts
- Housing Interests
- Retargeting Plan Bay Area 2050 Phase 2 Video Views

Goal

- Survey completions
- Event registration (link clicks)

Platforms

- Facebook
- Instagram
- IG Stories
- Twitter
- Snapchat

Timing

Jul. 10-Aug. 10, 2020

Typeform Survey









Outcome

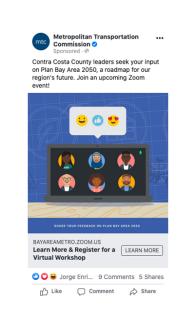
We saw extremely robust survey completion results.

All platforms

| Impressions The number of times a post shows up in a social newsfeed. | Link Clicks The number of clicks on links within the ad that led to advertiser-specified destinations. | Survey Submissions The total number of surveys submitted. |
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| 5,834,584 | 20,597 | 3,919 |

Data summary of the entire campaign

Virtual Workshops



Outcome

While challenging, we were able to help drive significant participation at online events with a nominal budget.

Facebook and Instagram

| Impressions The number of times a post shows up in a social newsfeed. | Link Clicks The number of clicks on links within the ad that led to advertiser-specified destinations. | Click-through Rate The rate at which people click-through to the next state. |
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| 3,166,288 | 10,216 | 0.32% |

Data summary of the entire campaign.

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